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**AT THE CITY OF WASHINGTON,**

**MAY 24, 1813,**

**AND IN THE THIRTY-SEVENTH YEAR OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE SAID UNITED STATES.**

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# CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

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**THE** First Session of the Thirteenth Congress commenced this day at the city of Washington, conformably to the act passed the 27th of February last, entitled "An act to alter the time for the next meeting of Congress;" and the Senate assembled.

**MONDAY, MAY 24, 1813.**

**PRESENT,**

The Honorable **ELDRIDGE GERRY**, Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.

From the State of New Hampshire,	the Honorable	Nicholas Gilman.
Massachusetts	the Honorable	Joseph B. Varnum.
Connecticut,	the Honorable	Samuel W. Dana.
Rhode Island,	the Honorable	{ William Hunter and Jeremiah B. Howell.
Vermont,	the Honorable	Jonathan Robinson.
New Jersey,	the Honorable	John Lambert.
Pennsylvania,	the Honorable	Michael Leib.
Delaware,	the Honorable	Outerbridge Horsey.
North Carolina	the Honorable	James Turner.
South Carolina,	the Honorable	John Taylor.
Tennessee	the Honorable	{ Joseph Anderson and George W. Campbell.
Ohio,	the Honorable	Thomas Worthington.
Louisiana,	the Honorable	James Brown.

The Honorable Jesse Bledsoe, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of Kentucky, for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March last; the Honorable William B. Bullock, appointed a Senator by the Executive of the state of Georgia, in place of the Honorable William H. Crawford, resigned; the Honorable Dudley Chase, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of Vermont, for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March last; the Honorable Charles Cutts, appointed a Senator by the Executive of the state of New Hampshire, to fill the vacancy in the representation in the Senate from that state, during the present recess of the legislature of the said state; the Honorable David Daggett, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of Connecticut, in place of the Honorable Chauncey Goodrich, resigned; the Honorable Jeremiah Morrow, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of Ohio, for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March last; the Honorable David Stone, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of North Carolina, for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March last; and the Honorable Charles Tait, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of Georgia, for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March last, respectively, produced their credentials; which were read; and the oath prescribed by law was administered to them, and they took their seats in the Senate.

The oath was also administered to the Honorable John Gaillard, and the Honorable Abner Lacock, their credentials having been read and filed during the last session.

The Vice President exhibited a certificate of his having taken the oath of office prescribed by law; which was read; and he addressed the Senate, as follows:



*Gentlemen of the Senate:*

Our fellow-citizens, in the free exercise of their constitutional authority, having been pleased to honor the person addressing you, with this distinguished station, have inferred on him an indispensable obligation to meet their just expectations. To attain this desirable object, and to preside over this honorable body in conformity to their magnanimity and dignity, which at all times have been conspicuous, will be his primary pursuit. Whilst the constitution has invested him with legislative and executive powers, in cases only that are casual, to the decisions of these, it has attached a great responsibility; in anticipating which, and his other duties, he has the pleasing prospect of reposing on your liberality and candor. But if, in this high and influential branch of the government, such unanimity should prevail, as to decide for themselves every question of policy, the example will still increase their lustre, and add to his happiness.

It is a subject of cordial congratulation, that the liberties of the people, in so great a degree, rest on that wisdom and fortitude which mark the characters of the exalted personage who fills the Supreme Executive, of the dignified members who constitute the national legislature, and of the eminent officers who direct the ministerial departments—Public virtues, emulated by few governments, need no encomiums. Fidelity and integrity, unsubdued by the severest ordeals, and presaging to public calamities a favorable issue, will be ever held in high estimation; whilst a government, scrupulously faithful to its trust, and measures which merit the highest applause, have a just claim to the public support.

The present epoch is momentous, and leads to observations which would not occur on ordinary occasions.

Our country is again involved in a sanguinary conflict, the issue of which, in the estimation of the enemy, is to determine whether the republican system, adopted by the people, is imbecile and transient, or whether it has force and duration worthy of the enterprize. That it can never fail whilst they are true to their interest, is beyond doubt. And is it not equally so, that they will never desert the government of their choice, or attach themselves to a foreign domination, from which, under the benign smiles of Divine Providence, they have lately, by their own valor, emancipated themselves? Can they need arguments to convince them, that, in proportion to the purity of republican governments, have ever been the reproaches and efforts for overthrowing them, by imperious sovereigns who once ruled them?

“To divide and to conquer” have long been the objects of the enemy. He has presumed on his own arts, and on impotency in our system of government; but, in both instances, he will be convinced of his error. The people and constituted authorities of the several states, those great pillars of our confederate system, numerous as they are, and inevitably discordant in some of their interests, have evinced, in various ways, a firm determination to support it. The interior frontier states, where the territorial war commenced and continues, assailed by innumerable difficulties, have surmounted them; and, by their unanimity and Spartan valor, are establishing for themselves immortal honor. Through the extensive wilds of our military operations, some of these, as in all wars, have been successful, and others unfortunate. But, to whatever causes the latter may be traced, they never can be imputed to those heroic officers or privates of the army or of the militia, who have bravely combatted the enemy; and of whom, some have been crowned with laurels, others have submitted to irresistible misfortunes, and many have nobly fallen, enshrined with glory. The Atlantic states have repelled, with magnanimity, maritime invasions; and have also given proofs of their patriotic ardor, by conquests on the ocean. Their enterprizes and victories have been sources of national triumph and renown. Are not our officers and mariners, in naval combats, unrivalled by fame? Have they not presented infallible sureties for signalling themselves on great occasions? How vain then is the hope of division or conquest! Does the enemy expect, by burning defenceless towns and villages, to promote his views? Such conduct may entail on the nation which sanctions it eternal infamy, but can never subdue the elevated souls of our brave fellow-citizens, or even depress the sublime minds of our innocent fair, the ornaments of our country, who, amidst the unmerited distresses inflicted on them and their tender offspring by a merciless foe, will soar above sympathy, and claim the just tribute of universal admiration and applause.

Whilst the Executive, in the full exercise of its authority, is left to test the sincerity of pacific overtures, it is a happy circumstance that the United States, at all times desirous of an honorable peace, and superintended by an officer whose capacious mind embraces, and whose patriotic fortitude will pursue, every interest of his country, thus meet with ardor an indispensable war. Is not their power a pledge that they *can*, and



their sacred honor that they *will*, with intrepidity, maintain the conflict? They demand justice; and can they relinquish it without a surrender of their sovereignty?

Great Britain is in collision with her best customers, and once her commercial friends, who had viewed peace as a mutual blessing; and who, by their moderation, had preserved it, until necessity has pointed to a different line of conduct. They had annually sent to her their productions and specie to a vast amount; had thus employed her mechanics, purchased her manufactures, extended her commerce, and become a great source of her national wealth. Hence, her zealous and persevering opposition to their commercial restraints, representing, in high strains, their great injury to this country; but preserving silence on a most important point, their destructive effects on her own manufactures and commerce.

The United States are now her enemy; and is it not easy to foresee, that, if the war should continue, the Canadas will be rendered independent of her; and, as friends or allies to the United States, will no longer be instrumental in exciting an unrelenting and savage warfare against our extensive and defenceless borders? To such inhuman acts, in former times, were the Canadians urged by France in her Albion wars; and by our colonial aid Great Britain obtained jurisdiction over them. *She* in turn has abused this power, and has justified the United States in their efforts to divest her of it. And is not their energy adequate to the object? Will not this be evident by a view of their effective national and state governments? of their great and increasing resources? of the unconquered minds and formidable numbers of their citizens? of their martial spirit? of their innate attachment to their rights and liberties? and of their inflexible determination to preserve them? But, if any one still doubts, will he not recollect, that, at the commencement of our Revolutionary war, which terminated against her, the united colonies had not a third of their present population; nor arms or military stores for a single campaign; nor an efficient arrangement for warfare; nor specie in their treasuries; nor funds for emitting a paper currency; nor a national government; nor (excepting two instances) state governments? nor the knowledge either of military or of naval tactics? Will he not also remember that Great Britain was then in the zenith of her power; that neighboring nations trembled at her nod; that the colonies were under her control; that her crown officers opposed every mean for resisting her; excited amongst the colonial governments (over which they presided) unfounded jealousies of each other, and embarrassed every measure for their union; that she was loaded with less than a fifth of her present national debt; that she was then at peace with all the world; and that she is now at war with a greater part of Europe, as well as with the United States? If Great Britain herself reflects on these things, will she not relinquish her vain attempts to awe the citizens of the United States, by exaggerated statements of her military and naval power, or by delusive views of their unprepared state for a war, of the great expense of it, and of the difficulties they are to encounter in defence of *all* that is valuable to man? If, in lieu of fruitless artifices, she will make rational and equitable arrangements, which the government of the United States have been always ready to meet, can there be a doubt that the two nations will be speedily restored to their wonted friendship and commerce?

Your fellow-citizen, with sensations which can more easily be conceived than expressed, perceives that there are in the government many of his former friends and compatriots, with whom he has often co-operated in the perilous concerns of his country; and, with unfeigned pleasure, he will meet the other public functionaries, whose acknowledged abilities and public services in like manner claim his high consideration and respect. With a sacred regard to the rights of every department and officer of government, and with a respectful deference to their political principles and opinions, he has frankly declared his own; for, to have concealed them at a crisis like this, might have savoured too much of a deficiency of candor.

And may that Omnipotent Being, who, with infinite wisdom and justice, superintends the destinies of nations, confirm the heroic patriotism which has glowed in the breasts of the national rulers, and convince the enemy that, whilst a disposition to peace, on equitable and honorable terms, will ever prevail in their public councils; one spirit, animated by the love of country, will inspire every department of the national government.

E. GERRY.

*Washington, May 24, 1813.*

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and ready to proceed to business.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed on the part of the Senate, jointly with such



committee as may be appointed on the part of the House of Representatives, to wait on the President of the United States, and notify him that a quorum of the two Houses is assembled and ready to receive any communications he may be pleased to make to them.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Anderson and Gaillard be the committee.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed agreeably to the 42d rule for conducting business in the Senate.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Leib, Gilman, and Dana, be the committee.

On motion, by Mr. Howell,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed agreeably to the 22d rule for conducting business in the Senate.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Howell, Robinson, and Morrow, be the committee.

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

*Resolved*, That each Senator be supplied, during the present session, with three such newspapers, printed in any of the states, as he may choose, provided the same be furnished at the usual rate for the annual charge of such papers: and provided, also, that if any Senator shall choose to take any newspapers other than daily papers, he shall be supplied with as many such papers as shall not exceed the price of three daily papers.

The President communicated a letter from the Honorable James Lloyd, notifying the resignation of his seat in the Senate; which was read.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

*Resolved*, That Mountjoy Bayly, Doorkeeper and Sergeant-at-Arms to the Senate, be, and he is hereby, authorized to employ one assistant and two horses, for the purpose of performing such services as are usually required by the Doorkeeper of the Senate; which expense shall be paid out of the contingent fund.

On motion, by Mr. Varnum,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed for enrolled bills, jointly with such committee as may be appointed for that purpose on the part of the House of Representatives.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Varnum be the committee on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Anderson submitted the following motion for consideration:

*Resolved*, That two chaplains, of different denominations, be appointed to Congress during the present session, one by each House, who shall interchange weekly.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: I am directed to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House of Representatives is assembled, and have elected Henry Clay, Esquire, one of the representatives for the state of Kentucky, their Speaker, and are ready to proceed to business. They concur in the resolution of the Senate for the appointment of a joint committee to wait on the President of the United States and notify him that a quorum of the two Houses is assembled and ready to receive any communications that he may be pleased to make to them; and have appointed a committee on their part. And he withdrew.

On motion, by Mr. Varnum,

*Resolved*, That the hour of the daily meeting of the Senate be 11 o'clock during the present session.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### TUESDAY, MAY, 25, 1813.

Mr. Anderson reported, from the joint committee, that they had waited on the President of the United States; agreeably to order, and that the President informed the committee that he would make a communication to the two Houses this day at twelve o'clock.

The Senate resumed the motion made yesterday for the appointment of chaplains; and agreed thereto.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this resolution.

The President communicated the memorial of the legislature of the Indiana territory, praying the confirmation of titles to certain lands sold by the trustees of the University in said territory; and the memorial was read.



The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Fellow-citizens of the Senate and of the House of Representatives:*

At an early day after the close of the last session of Congress, an offer was formally communicated from his Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Russia, of his mediation, as the common friend of the United States and Great Britain, for the purpose of facilitating a peace between them. The high character of the Emperor Alexander being a satisfactory pledge for the sincerity and impartiality of his offer, it was immediately accepted; and, as a further proof of the disposition on the part of the United States to meet their adversary in honorable experiments for terminating the war, it was determined to avoid intermediate delays, incident to the distance of the parties, by a definitive provision for the contemplated negotiation. Three of our eminent citizens were accordingly commissioned, with the requisite powers to conclude a treaty of peace with persons clothed with like powers on the part of Great Britain. They are authorized also to enter into such conventional regulations of the commerce between the two countries, as may be mutually advantageous. The two envoys who were in the United States at the time of their appointment, have proceeded to join their colleague already at St. Petersburg.

The envoys have received another commission, authorizing them to conclude with Russia a treaty of commerce, with a view to strengthen the amicable relations and improve the beneficial intercourse between the two countries.

The issue of this friendly interposition of the Russian Emperor, and this pacific manifestation on the part of the United States, time only can decide. That the sentiments of Great Britain towards that sovereign will have produced an acceptance of his offered mediation must be presumed. That no adequate motives exist to prefer a continuance of war with the United States, to the terms on which they are willing to close it, is certain. The British cabinet also must be sensible that, with respect to the important question of impressment, on which the war so essentially turns, a search for, or seizure of, British persons or property on board neutral vessels on the high seas is not a belligerent right derived from the law of nations; and it is obvious that no visit or search, or use of force for any purpose, on board the vessels of one independent power, on the high seas, can, in war or peace, be sanctioned by the laws or authority of another power. It is equally obvious, that, for the purpose of preserving to each state its seafaring members, by excluding them from the vessels of the other, the mode heretofore proposed by the United States, and now enacted by them as an article of municipal policy, cannot for a moment be compared with the mode practised by Great Britain without a conviction of its title to preference; inasmuch, as the latter leaves the discrimination between the mariners of the two nations to officers exposed by unavoidable bias, as well as by a defect of evidence, to a wrong decision; under circumstances precluding, for the most part, the enforcement of controlling penalties, and where a wrong decision, besides the irreparable violation of the sacred rights of persons, might frustrate the plans and profits of entire voyages: whereas, the mode assumed by the United States, guards, with studied fairness and efficacy, against errors in such cases, and avoids the effect of casual errors on the safety of navigation, and the success of mercantile expeditions.

If the reasonableness of expectations, drawn from these considerations, could guaranty their fulfilment, a just peace would not be distant. But, it becomes the wisdom of the national legislature to keep in mind the true policy, or rather the indispensable obligation, of adapting its measures to the supposition, that the only course to that happy event, is in the vigorous employment of the resources of war. And, painful as the reflection is, this duty is particularly enforced by the spirit and manner in which the war continues to be waged by the enemy, who, uninfluenced by the unvaried examples of humanity set them, are adding to the savage fury of it, on one frontier, a system of plunder, and conflagration on the other, equally forbidden by respect for national character, and by the established rules of civilized warfare.

As an encouragement to persevering and invigorated exertions to bring the contest to a happy result, I have the satisfaction of being able to appeal to the auspicious progress of our arms, both by land and on the water.

In continuation of the brilliant achievements of our infant navy, a signal triumph has been gained by Captain Lawrence and his companions in the *Hornet* sloop of war, which destroyed a British sloop of war, with a celerity so unexampled, and with a slaughter of the enemy so disproportionate to the loss in the *Hornet*, as to claim for the conquerors the highest praise, and the full recompense provided by Congress in preceding cases. Our public ships of war in general, as well as the private armed vessels, have continued also their activity and success against the commerce of the



enemy, and, by their vigilance and address, have greatly frustrated the efforts of the hostile squadrons distributed along our coasts, to intercept them in returning into port, and resuming their cruises.

The augmentation of our naval force, as authorized at the last session of Congress, is in progress. On the Lakes our superiority is near at hand, where it is not already established.

The events of the campaign, so far as they are known to us, furnish matter of congratulation, and show that, under a wise organization and efficient direction, the army is destined to a glory not less brilliant than that which already encircles the navy. The attack and capture of York is, in that quarter, a presage of future and greater victories; while, on the western frontier, the issue of the late siege of Fort Meigs leaves us nothing to regret but a single act of inconsiderate valor.

The provisions last made for filling the ranks, and enlarging the staff of the army, have had the best effects. It will be for the consideration of Congress, whether other provisions, depending on their authority, may not still further improve the military establishment and the means of defence.

The sudden death of the distinguished citizen who represented the United States in France, without any special arrangements by him for such a contingency, has left us without the expected sequel to his last communications: nor has the French government taken any measures for bringing the depending negotiations to a conclusion, through its representative in the United States. This failure adds to delays before so unreasonably spun out. A successor to our deceased Minister has been appointed, and is ready to proceed on his mission: the course which he will pursue in fulfilling it, is that prescribed by a steady regard to the true interests of the United States, which equally avoids an abandonment of their just demands, and a connexion of their fortunes with the systems of other powers.

The receipts in the Treasury, from the 1st of October to the 31st day of March last, including the sums received on account of Treasury notes, and of the loans authorized by the acts of the last and the preceding sessions of Congress, have amounted to fifteen millions four hundred and twelve thousand dollars. The expenditures during the same period amounted to fifteen millions nine hundred and twenty thousand dollars, and left in the Treasury, on the 1st of April, the sum of one million eight hundred and fifty-seven thousand dollars. The loan of sixteen millions of dollars, authorized by the act of the 8th of February last, has been contracted for. Of that sum more than a million of dollars had been paid into the Treasury, prior to the 1st of April, and formed a part of the receipts as above stated. The remainder of that loan, amounting to near fifteen millions of dollars, with the sum of five millions of dollars authorized to be issued in Treasury notes, and the estimated receipts from the customs and the sales of public lands, amounting to nine millions three hundred thousand dollars, and making in the whole twenty-nine millions three hundred thousand dollars to be received during the last nine months of the present year, will be necessary to meet the expenditures already authorized, and the engagements contracted in relation to the public debt. These engagements amount during that period to ten millions five hundred thousand dollars, which, with near one million for the civil, miscellaneous, and diplomatic expenses, both foreign and domestic, and seventeen millions eight hundred thousand dollars for the military and naval expenditures, including the ships of war building and to be built, will leave a sum in the Treasury at the end of the present year equal to that on the first of April last. A part of this sum may be considered as a resource for defraying any extraordinary expenses already authorized by law, beyond the sums above estimated; and a further resource for any emergency may be found in the sum of one million of dollars, the loan of which to the United States has been authorized by the state of Pennsylvania, but which has not yet been brought into effect.

This view of our finances, whilst it shows that due provision has been made for the expenses of the current year, shows, at the same time, by the limited amount of the actual revenue, and the dependence on loans, the necessity of providing more adequately for the future supplies of the Treasury. This can be best done by a well digested system of internal revenue, in aid of existing sources; which will have the effect, both of abridging the amount of necessary loans, and on that account, as well as by placing the public credit on a more satisfactory basis, of improving the terms on which loans may be obtained. The loan of sixteen millions was not contracted for at a less interest than about seven and a half per cent. and, although other causes may have had an agency, it cannot be doubted, that, with the advantage of a more extended and less precarious revenue, a lower rate of interest might have sufficed. A longer



postponement of this advantage could not fail to have a still greater influence on future loans.

In recommending to the national legislature this resort to additional taxes, I feel great satisfaction in the assurance, that our constituents, who have already displayed so much zeal and firmness in the cause of their country, will cheerfully give any other proof of their patriotism which it calls for. Happily, no people, with local and transitory exceptions, never to be wholly avoided, are more able than the people of the United States to spare for the public wants a portion of their private means, whether regard be had to the ordinary profits of industry, or the ordinary price of subsistence in our country, compared with those in any other. And in no case could stronger reasons be felt for yielding the requisite contributions. By rendering the public resources certain, and commensurate to the public exigencies, the constituted authorities will be able to prosecute the war the more rapidly to its proper issue; every hostile hope, founded on a calculated failure of our resources, will be cut off; and by adding to the evidence of bravery and skill, in combats on the ocean and the land, an alacrity in supplying the treasure necessary to give them their fullest effect, and demonstrating to the world the public energy which our political institutions combine, with the personal liberty distinguishing them, the best security will be provided against future enterprizes on the rights or the peace of the nation.

The contest in which the United States are engaged, appeals for its support to every motive that can animate an uncorrupted and enlightened people; to the love of country; to the pride of liberty; to an emulation of the glorious founders of their independence, by a successful vindication of its violated attributes; to the gratitude and sympathy which demand security from the most degrading wrongs of a class of citizens, who have proved themselves so worthy the protection of their country, of their heroic zeal in its defence; and, finally, to the sacred obligation of transmitting entire, to future generations, that precious patrimony of national rights and independence which is held in trust by the present, from the goodness of Divine Providence.

Being aware of the inconveniences to which a protracted session, at this season, would be liable, I limit the present communication to objects of primary importance. In special messages which may ensue, regard will be had to the same consideration.

JAMES MADISON.

*Washington, May 25th, 1813.*

The message was read.

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

*Ordered*, That five hundred copies thereof be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 1813.

The President communicated a report of the Secretary for the Department of War, comprehending statements of all the treaties held with the Indian tribes, respectively, since the 4th of March, 1789, relative to the purchase of lands, the amount of purchases and annuities, with the amount in goods and money expended in carrying such treaties into effect, made conformably to a resolution of the Senate, of the 30th December, 1812; and the report was read.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

*Resolved*, That a committee of three members be appointed, who, with three members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the said House, shall have the direction of the money appropriated to the purchase of books and maps, for the use of the two Houses of Congress; and

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Leib, Stone, and Tait, be the committee on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Campbell submitted the following motions for consideration:

*Resolved*, That so much of the message of the President of the United States as concerns our relations with foreign powers, and the military establishment of the United States, be referred to a select committee, with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Resolved*, That so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the naval establishment of the United States, be referred to a select committee, with leave to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, MAY 27, 1813.

The Honorable Obadiah German, from the state of New York, and the Honorable Samuel Smith, from the state of Maryland, severally took their seats in the Senate.

The Honorable Robert Henry Goldsborough, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of Maryland, for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March last, produced his credentials, which were read; and the oath prescribed by law was administered to him, and he took his seat in the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives concur in the resolution of the Senate, of the 25th instant, for the appointment of chaplains, and have appointed the Reverend Jesse Lee chaplain on their part. And he withdrew.

Whereupon,

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

The Senate proceeded to the appointment of a chaplain on their part; and, on the ballots having been counted, it appeared that the Reverend John Breckenridge had a majority, and was elected.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The first motion made yesterday for a committee, was resumed; and

On motion,

Was amended and agreed to, as follows:

*Resolved,* That so much of the message of the President of the United States as concerns our relations with foreign powers, be referred to a select committee, to consist of seven members, to consider and report thereon, by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Campbell, Taylor, Chase, Smith, Varnum, Brown, and Dana, be the committee.

The Senate resumed the motion made yesterday for the appointment of a committee on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the naval establishment, and agreed thereto; and

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Smith, Gaillard, Gilman, Howell, and Cutts, be the committee.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

*Resolved,* That so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment thereof, be referred to a select committee, to consist of five members, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Anderson, Varnum, Smith, Leib, and Hunter, be the committee.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, MAY 28, 1813.

The Honorable Richard Brent, from the state of Virginia, and the Honorable John Condit, from the state of New Jersey, severally took their seats in the Senate.

The Honorable Christopher Gore, appointed a Senator by the executive of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, in place of the Honorable James Lloyd, resigned; and the Honorable Rufus King, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of New York, for the term of six years, commencing with the 4th day of March last, severally produced their credentials, which were read; and the oath prescribed by law was administered to them, and they took their seats in the Senate.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives concur in the resolution of the Senate, of the 24th instant, for the appointment of a committee for enrolled bills, and have appointed a committee on their part. They also concur in the resolution of the Senate, of the 26th instant, for the appointment of a joint committee on the arrangements for the library, and have appointed a committee on their part. And he withdrew.

The President communicated a report from the Secretary for the Department of State, made agreeably to a resolution of the Senate, of the 24th February last, requesting him to give information of the collectors of the customs who have not made regular returns of registered seamen; and the report was read.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.



MONDAY, MAY 31, 1813.

Mr. German presented the petition of Alexander Phoenix, of the city of New York, an insolvent debtor, imprisoned at the suit of the United States, praying to be discharged; and the petition was read.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. German, Dana, and King, be the committee.

Mr. Lacock presented the memorial of sundry inhabitants of the city of New York, natives of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, praying to be admitted to the rights of citizens, for reasons stated in their memorial, the omission of certain forms of application, required by law, notwithstanding; and the memorial was read.

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Lacock, King, and Varnum, be the committee.

Mr. Smith gave notice, that to-morrow he should ask leave to bring in a bill to amend the militia laws of the United States.

Mr. Campbell presented the petition of the President and Directors of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, praying an extension of their charter, for reasons stated in the petition; which was read.

The President communicated a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, with a copy of the reports of the commissioners appointed under the act of 20th February, 1812, for the revision of claims to land in the district of Kaskaskia; which were read.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1813.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Smith asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repeal invasions, and to repel the act now in force for those purposes;" and the bill was twice read by unanimous consent.

On motion, by Mr. Smith,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consist of five members, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Smith, Worthington, Varnum, Taylor, and Dana, be the committee.

Mr. German, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill for the relief of Alexander Phoenix; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to a second reading.

The President communicated a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, with a copy of a letter from the register of the land office at Kaskaskia, and of three statements made by him, of claims to land in that district; which were read.

Mr. Brent gave notice that to-morrow he should ask leave to bring in a bill to provide for the accommodation of the President of the United States.

After the consideration of Executive business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1813.

The bill for the relief of Alexander Phoenix was read the second time, and considered as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been offered,

On the question, "Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?"

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Hunter presented the petition of Thomas Sim Lee, and others, citizens of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, proprietors of the property contained in "Deakins, Lee, and Casanave's addition to Georgetown," stating that considerable inconvenience and obstruction result to them in their improvements, from the present plan or plat thereof; and praying relief; and the petition was read.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

That it be postponed to the first Monday in December next,

It was determined in the negative.

On motion, by Mr. Hunter,



*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Hunter, Brent, and Dana, be the committee.

Mr. Brent presented the petition of Charles Minifie, praying interest may be allowed him on the balance of an account awarded in his favor by the Comptroller of the Treasury, agreeably to the act of the 1st of May, 1812; and the petition was read.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Brent, Leib, and Dana, be the committee.

Mr. Lacock, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1813.

The bill supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization, was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Taylor,

It was agreed that it be made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The President communicated a report signed "William Jones, acting Secretary of the Treasury," prepared in obedience to the act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to establish the Treasury Department;" which was read.

Mr. Tait gave notice that, to-morrow, he should ask leave to bring in a bill to alter the times of holding the circuit courts for the sixth circuit of the United States.

Mr. Smith, from the committee to whom was referred the bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," reported it amended.

The bill for the relief of Alexander Phoenix was reported by the committee correctly engrossed.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 1813.

The credentials of the Honorable Christopher Gore, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, in place of the Honorable James Lloyd, resigned, were read.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization; and, the bill having been amended, the President reported it to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Morrow presented the petition of Thomas Sloo, of Cincinnati, in the state of Ohio, late a commissioner for examining and inquiring into the validity of claims to land in the district of Kaskaskia, praying additional compensation for services rendered, as therein stated; and the petition was read.

On motion, by Mr. Morrow,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Morrow, Worthington, and Tait, be the committee.

On motion, by Mr. Morrow,

*Ordered*, That the letter of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, of the 31st of May, with a copy of the reports of the commissioners appointed under the act of 20th February, 1812, for the revision of certain claims to land in the district of Kaskaskia; and, also, the letter of the Register of the Land Office at Kaskaskia, communicated the 1st instant, be referred to the committee last mentioned, to consider and report thereon.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the



laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," together with the amendments reported by the select committee; and, having agreed to the amendments reported,

On motion,

It was agreed that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until Monday next.

The engrossed bill for the relief of Alexander Phoenix was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act for the relief of Alexander Phoenix."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Brent asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to provide for the accommodation of the President of the United States; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Tait asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to alter the times of holding the circuit courts for the sixth circuit of the United States; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Hunter, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Sim Lee, and others, reported a bill concerning certain streets in Georgetown; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Brent presented the petition of the President and Directors of the Bank of Washington, praying that the stockholders may be permitted to increase their capital by an additional subscription, for reasons therein stated; and the petition was read.

On motion, by Mr. Brent,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Brent, Dana, and Taylor, be the committee.

Mr. Dana gave notice that, on Monday, he should ask leave to bring in a bill for the government of persons in certain fisheries.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

### MONDAY, JUNE 7, 1813.

The Honorable William B. Giles, from the state of Virginia, who arrived the 5th instant, took his seat in the Senate.

The President communicated the credentials of the Honorable William H. Wells, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of Delaware, in place of the Honorable James A. Bayard, resigned; which were read.

The President communicated the resolves of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, convened at Philadelphia, recommending the first Thursday of August next, as a day of humiliation, fasting, and prayer; which were read.

Mr. Smith, presented the memorials of Stephen Girard, and others, praying the liberation of certain vessels, with their cargoes, of the manufactures of England, which have been seized for an alleged violation of the non-importation law, for reasons stated at large in the memorials; which were read.

On motion, by Mr. Smith,

*Resolved*, That they be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Smith, Taylor, and Gore, be the committee.

Mr. Giles presented the petition of Joshua Barney, on behalf of himself and the owners, officers, and crews, of sundry private armed vessels of war, stating, that, although they have been very successful in capturing and destroying the commerce of the enemy, they have received but little benefit from their enterprizes, in consequence of the double duty imposed on such captures, and the claim of the United States set up to certain prizes made by them of enemy's property, sailing under the flag of the United States; and praying relief; and the petition was read.

On motion, by Mr. Giles,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Giles, Bullock, and King, be the committee.

The bill supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform



rule of naturalization, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

On motion, by Mr. Brent,

*Resolved*, That the memorial of the President and Directors of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, praying an extension of their charter, be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Brent, Stone, and Chase, be the committee.

Mr. Morrow, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill for the relief of Thomas Sloo; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Dana asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill for the government of persons in certain fisheries; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The bill for the accommodation of the President of the United States was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Brent,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Brent, Horsey, and Gaillard, be the committee.

The bill to alter the times of holding the circuit courts for the sixth circuit of the United States was read the second time.

The bill concerning certain streets in Georgetown was read the second time, and considered as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:*

I lay before Congress copies of certain legislative acts of Pennsylvania, transmitted for that purpose, by the Governor of that state.

JAMES MADISON.

*Washington, June 5, 1813.*

The message and acts therein referred to were read.

The President communicated a letter from the Secretary for the Department of War, accompanied with a code of rules and regulations for the army of the United States, prepared in obedience to the injunction of the act, entitled "An act for the better organization of the general staff of the army of the United States," passed on the 3d day of March, 1813; which were read.

Mr. Brent presented the petition of J. B. Nickolls, on behalf of himself and one hundred and one other petitioners, praying an act may pass to incorporate a company under the title and firm of the Fire Insurance Company of Alexandria; and the petition was read.

On motion, by Mr. Brent,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Brent, Horsey, and Hunter, be the committee.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 1813.

The Honorable Eligius Fromentin, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of Louisiana, for the term of six years, commencing with the fourth day of March last, produced his credentials, which were read; and the oath prescribed by law was administered to him, and he took his seat in the Senate.

The President communicated a letter from the Governor of the state of Connecticut, enclosing a copy of the resolution passed by the legislature of that state, that they do not agree to ratify and confirm an amendment proposed by Congress to the constitution of the United States, relative to titles of nobility; and the letter and resolution were read.

The bill for the relief of Thomas Sloo was read the second time, and considered as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been proposed,



On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill for the government of persons in certain fisheries was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Dana,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Dana, Gore, and Gilman, be the committee.

On motion, by Mr. Tait,

*Resolved*, That the bill to alter the times of holding the circuit court for the sixth circuit of the United States be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Tait, Taylor, and Bullock, be the committee.

Mr. Brent, from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the accommodation of the President of the United States, reported it without amendment.

The bill concerning certain streets in Georgetown, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act concerning certain streets in Georgetown."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," together with the amendments.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

*Resolved*, That they be re-committed.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Smith, Worthington, Taylor, Varnum, and Dana, be the committee, further to consider and report thereon.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 1813.

The bill for the relief of Thomas Sloo, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time, and the blank filled with "five hundred."

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act for the relief of Thomas Sloo."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill sent from the Senate, entitled "An act concerning certain streets in Georgetown." And he withdrew.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill for the accommodation of the President of the United States; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Dana, from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the government of persons in certain fisheries, reported it without amendment, and the bill was considered as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Morrow gave notice, that at an early day he should ask leave to bring in a bill for extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1813.

The Honorable William H. Wells, from the state of Delaware, attended, and the oath prescribed by law having been administered to him, he took his seat in the Senate.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Morrow asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill further



extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The bill for the government of persons in certain fisheries, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act for the government of persons in certain fisheries."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill for the accommodation of the President of the United States, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time, and the title amended.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act to provide for the accommodation of the household of the President of the United States."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

Mr. Taylor presented the petition of Daniel Macaulay, of the city of Charleston, in the state of South Carolina, praying to be exonerated from the bonds given for goods imported from England in the ships Anna and Thomas Gibson, which were seized for an alleged violation of the non-importation law, for reasons stated at large in the petition; which was read.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 1813.

The bill further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants was read the second time.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to Messrs. Morrow, Worthington, and Tait, the committee to whom was referred, on the 4th instant, the letters of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the reports therein enclosed, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act concerning certain streets in Georgetown."

On motion, by Mr. Horsey,

*Resolved*, That the message of the President of the United States of the 5th, communicated the 7th instant, together with the legislative acts of Pennsylvania, accompanying the same, be referred to a select committee, to consist of five members, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Horsey, Leib, Smith, Goldsborough, and King, be the committee.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of their President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1813.

Mr. Morrow, from the committee to whom was referred the bill further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants, reported it without amendment; and the bill was considered as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that, on the 12th instant, they laid before the President of the United States the enrolled bill, entitled "An act concerning certain streets in Georgetown."

Mr. Brent, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of J. B. Nickolls,



and others, reported a bill to incorporate a company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Brent, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill to continue the charter of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Brent, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill for the further relief of Charles Minifie; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Smith presented the memorial of John Gooding and Hollins, and M'Blair, of the city of Baltimore, stating that they had freighted a vessel to an agent of the United States, to carry provisions to the inhabitants of Venezuela, which, on her arrival, was condemned by a court of admiralty, on the sole ground of having brought supplies from the United States, as is stated at large by your memorialists, who pray compensation; and the memorial was read.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Goldsborough, Horsey, and Campbell, be the committee.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria;" also, a bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The two bills last mentioned were read.

*Ordered*, That they pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1813.

The President communicated a letter from the Governor of the state of New Hampshire, stating that the legislature of that state had elected the Honorable Jeremiah Mason, a Senator, for the term of six years, commencing with the fourth day of March last; and the letter was read.

The bill to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, was read the second time, and considered as in committee of the whole; and,

On motion, by Mr. Smith,

*Resolved*, That it be recommitted to a select committee, to consist of five members, further to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Brent, Daggett, Horsey, Smith, and Hunter, be the committee.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1813.

The bill further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The President communicated the memorial of sundry officers attached to the army under the command of Major General William H. Harrison, representing that, in appointments and promotions recently made in the army, injustice has been done to officers now in service, and praying the attention of the Senate to certain cases in which they feel the usages of armies, and their individual rights, have been violated; and the memorial was read.

The bill for the further relief of Charles Minifie was read the second time and considered as in committee of the whole; and,

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

It was agreed that the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow.



✓ The bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia;" also, the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria," were severally read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Brent,

*Resolved*, That they be severally referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Brent, Horsey, and Robinson, be the committee.

Mr. King presented the memorial of the Common Council of the city of New York, praying measures may be adopted by the general government for their greater security and protection; and the memorial was read.

On motion, by Mr. King,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee appointed on the 27th of May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment thereof.

Mr. King presented the petition of James Jay, praying Congress to take into consideration his memorial, presented at the last session, and grant him remuneration for services rendered during the Revolutionary war, and for moneys advanced, as therein stated; and the petition was read.

On motion, by Mr. King,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. King, Dana, and Leib, be the committee.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives concur in the bill, entitled "An act for the government of persons in certain fisheries." They have passed the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Phoenix," with amendments, in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

On motion,

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill last mentioned. Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That they concur therein.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1813.

The bill to continue the charter of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria was resumed as in committee of the whole; and,

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

On motion, by Mr. Robinson,

It was agreed that William Gamble have leave to withdraw his memorial, and papers accompanying the same, presented at the last session of Congress.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Phoenix and William Nexsen, junior;" also, the bill, entitled "An act for the government of persons in certain fisheries."

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 1813.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill for the further relief of Charles Minifie.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

It was agreed that the further consideration thereof be postponed to, and made the order of the day for, Monday next.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants." The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed two enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of their President. And he withdrew.



The President signed the two enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

On motion, by Mr. Dana,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to inquire what legislative provision is necessary to prevent multiplicity of suits or processes, where a single suit or process might suffice for the administration of justice in any cause to which the United States may be party, or before any court of the United States; and that the committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Dana, Bullock, Hunter, Stone, and Bledsoe, be the committee.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States, on the 14th instant, approved and signed "An act concerning certain streets in Georgetown."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Smith, from the committee to whom was recommitted the bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," reported it with amendments.

On motion, by Mr. Horsey,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate cause to be printed for the use of the Senate, three hundred copies of the statement marked B, exhibiting the amount of duties upon domestic distilled spirits, and on stills, upon sales at auction, refined sugar, carriages, and upon licences to retailers, and upon stamped vellum, parchment, and paper, which accrued from the 1st of January, 1800, to the 31st of December following, as contained in the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, bearing date the 21st day of December, A. D. 1801, and made in pursuance of a resolution of the House of Representatives, passed on the 6th day of January, 1797; also, a like number of copies of the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, dated the 27th of December, A. D. 1809, transmitting a statement of the payments which have been made by the respective states of the direct tax, &c. in obedience to a resolution of the Senate of the 18th day of December, A. D. 1809; and, also, a like number of copies of the statement exhibiting the balances due the United States on account of the internal revenue and direct tax, which accompanied the letter of the Comptroller of the Treasury of the 10th of December last.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 21, 1813.

The Honorable Jeremiah Mason, appointed a Senator by the legislature of the state of New Hampshire, for the term of six years, commencing with the fourth day of March last, produced his credentials, which were read; and the oath prescribed by law was administered to him, and he took his seat in the Senate.

Mr. Gore presented the memorial of George Ulmer, colonel of the United States volunteers, commanding on the eastern frontier of Massachusetts, representing that two companies were raised in the towns of Calais and Robinstown, and were in the service of the United States, and praying provision may be made for their compensation; and the memorial was read.

On motion, by Mr. Gore,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the committee appointed the 27th of May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment thereof, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Daggett presented the petition of Samuel Olcott, of Hartford, in the state of Connecticut, owner of the schooner Peggy, stating, that, in the year 1811, he sent said vessel to Barbadoes with a cargo; that, in consequence of a stress of weather she was much injured, and the greatest part of her cargo lost; that, in order to defray the expenses of the necessary repairs, her water casks, which had served for ballast, were sold; that, after several attempts, it was found impracticable to pursue her voyage without ballast; and that a quantity of salt was taken on board at Turk's Island for that purpose, and brought to the United States, by which a penalty has been incurred; and praying relief; and the memorial was read.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that, on the 19th instant, they laid before the President of the United States the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Phoenix and William Nexsen, junior;" also, the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the government of persons in certain fisheries."



On motion, by Mr. Smith,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Gore be on the committee appointed on the 27th of May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the naval establishment, in place of Mr. Cutts absent.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill for the further relief of Charles Minifie; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the negative.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," together with the amendments reported thereto by the select committee, which were agreed to with amendments; and the President reported the bill to the House amended accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for repairing the north wing of the Capitol and finishing the Senate Chamber, and that the committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Leib, Horsey, and Gaillard, be the committee.

Mr. Brent, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill to augment the capital stock of the Bank of Washington; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants."

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Sloo." They have passed the bill, entitled "An act to reward the officers and crew of the sloop of war Hornet;" in which bill they request the concurrence of the Senate. The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of their President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

The bill last brought up for concurrence was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time, and the blank filled with the words "five hundred thousand."

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act to amend the act, entitled 'An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes.'"

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

Mr. Tait, from the committee to whom was referred the bill to alter the times of holding the circuit courts for the sixth circuit of the United States, reported it without amendment; and,

On his motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

Mr. King presented the petition of Thomas Hall Storm, of the city of New York, stating, that, on the 25th of April, 1811, he was deputed charge d'affaires of the United States to reside at Tripoli, but was not recognized by the Bashaw; in the prosecution



of the business he incurred considerable expense, and praying remuneration therefor, and that he may be allowed the usual salary for his services; and the petition was read.

On motion, by Mr. King;

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Secretary for the Department of State, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee appointed on the 27th of May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment, reported a bill for the relief of the infirm, disabled, and superannuated officers and soldiers of the late and of the present army of the United States; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States, on the 19th instant, approved and signed "An act for the government of persons in certain fisheries;" also, "An act for the relief of Alexander Phoenix and William Nexsen, jun."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

On motion, by Mr. Taylor,

*Ordered*, That the petition of Daniel Macaulay, presented the 10th instant, be referred to the committee appointed on the 27th of May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as concerns our relations with foreign powers, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

The bill to augment the capital stock of the Bank of Washington was read the second time.

Mr. Giles presented the petition of Alexander Scott, praying compensation for his trouble in the release and conveyance of certain American seamen from Porto Cavallo, in South America, to the United States, as is stated at large in the petition; which was read.

On motion, by Mr. Giles,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Giles, Hunter, and Smith, be the committee.

The President communicated a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, with the reports of the Commissioners appointed to investigate claims to land in the western district of Orleans territory, now state of Louisiana, made in pursuance of the act of Congress, entitled "An act respecting claims to land in the territories of Orleans and Louisiana," passed on the 3d of March, 1807; which were read.

Mr. Chace gave notice that to-morrow he should ask leave to bring in a bill altering the time and place for holding the circuit and district courts in Vermont.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 1813.

Mr. Smith reported from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of Stephen Girard and others; and the report was read.

Mr. Giles reported from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Joshua Barney, in behalf of himself, and the owners, officers, and crews, of sundry private armed vessels; and the report was read.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee appointed on the 27th of May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment, reported a bill to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes;" and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The bill for the relief of the infirm, disabled, and superannuated officers and soldiers of the late and of the present army of the United States, was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

It was agreed that the further consideration thereof be postponed to, and made the order of the day for, to-morrow.

The bill, entitled "An act to reward the officers and crew of the sloop of war Hornet," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee appointed on the 27th May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the naval establishment, to consider and report thereon.



Mr. Giles, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill for the relief of Alexander Scott; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Sloo."

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of their President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill to augment the capital stock of the Bank of Washington; and,

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the first Monday in December next,

The President determined the question in the negative.

On motion, by Mr. Giles,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to Monday next.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Chace asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill altering the time and place for holding the circuit and district courts in Vermont; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 1813.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee appointed the 27th May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment, reported a bill to authorize the raising a corps of seafencibles; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The Senate resumed the report made by the select committee on the memorial of Stephen Girard and others.

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill for the relief of Stephen Girard and others, the owners, respectively, of the ships called the Good Friends, the United States, and the Amazon, and their cargoes, upon condition that they respectively pay to the collector of the port of Philadelphia, for the use of the United States, in addition to the duties by them heretofore respectively secured and paid upon the said cargoes, a sum which shall be sufficient to make the whole amount paid, equal to the amount of the duties that would have been chargeable if the cargoes had been imported and entered subsequent to the first of July, 1812.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Gore, Smith, and Taylor, be the committee.

The bill to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes," was read the second time.

The bill for the relief of Alexander Scott was read the second time.

The bill altering the time and place for holding the circuit and district courts in Vermont was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Chace,

*Resolved*, That they be referred to a select committee to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Chace, King, and Daggett, be the committee.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill for the relief of the infirm, disabled, and superannuated officers and soldiers of the late and of the present army of the United States; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Brent, from the committee to whom was referred the bill to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, reported it with amendments.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



Mr. Varnum presented the petition of Thomas Denny, of Leicester, in the commonwealth of Massachusetts, concerned in a manufactory of wool cards, and praying to be discharged from the payment of certain bonds which he hath given on the importation of a quantity of iron wire from Montreal, and from payment of the duties imposed thereon, for reasons stated at large in the petition; which was read.

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee appointed yesterday to bring in a bill for the relief of Stephen Girard, and others, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

The bill for the relief of the infirm, disabled, and superannuated officers and soldiers of the late and present army of the United States, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act for the relief of the infirm, disabled, and superannuated officers and soldiers of the late and present army of the United States."

*Ordered,* That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill to authorize the raising a corps of sea fencibles was read the second time and considered as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been offered to the bill,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes;" and, the bill having been amended, the President reported it to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the report of the select committee on the petition of Joshua Barney, and others, which is as follows:

“That the object of the petitioner is to obtain, in favor of himself and others, the relinquishment of the claims of the United States to certain descriptions of enemy's property, captured and brought into the ports of the United States by certain private armed vessels. That the claims of the United States and the petitioner depend upon the provisions of existing laws, and present fair questions for judicial cognizance; these questions are in fact now depending before the proper judicial tribunals, with whose proceedings and decisions the committee deems it inexpedient at this time to interfere, and therefore recommends that the further consideration of the petition be postponed till the first Monday in December next;” and,

On the question to agree thereto?

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It was determined in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 14,  
{ Nays . . . . . 17.

On motion, by Mr. Taylor,

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The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

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Messrs. Bullock, Campbell, Daggett, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Leib, Mason, and Wells.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

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Messrs. Anderson, Bledsoe, Brown, Chace, Condit, Frémontin, Gaillard, Giles, How-  
ell, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Varnum.

On motion, by Mr. Taylor,

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*Resolved*, That the said petition be recommitted to a select committee, further to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Giles, Taylor, and Anderson, be the committee.

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The bill for the relief of Alexander Scott was resumed, as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion,

On motion,  
The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.



MONDAY, JUNE 28, 1813.

The Honorable George M. Bibb, from the state of Kentucky, attended.

The bill to authorize the raising a corps of sea fencibles, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time and the blank filled.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act to authorize the raising a corps of sea fencibles."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes.'"

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill for the relief of Alexander Scott, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act for the relief of Alexander Scott."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

Mr. Giles, from the committee to whom was recommitted the petition of Joshua Barney, and others, reported a bill to relinquish the claims of the United States to certain goods, wares, and merchandise, captured by private armed vessels; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Gore, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill for the relief of Thomas Denny; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Gore, also, from the same committee, reported a bill for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Smith, from the committee on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the naval establishment, reported a bill authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Campbell, from the committee on so much of the message of the President of the United States as respects our foreign relations, reported a bill to prohibit the citizens and inhabitants of the United States from carrying on any trade or traffic with the dominions or dependencies of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Campbell also reported a bill for the relief of Daniel Macaulay; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The President communicated a letter from E. H. Cummings, requesting permission to report the proceedings of the Senate, and that a convenient and suitable place in the Senate chamber be assigned him; and the letter was read.

Mr. Gore presented the remonstrance of the legislature of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, declaring their opinion on the alleged causes of the existing war, and the pretences for its continuance; that it was improper, impolitic, and unjust; and stating the grounds on which they rest that opinion.

Further declaring their opinion on the admission of new states formed from lands beyond the territorial limits of the United States, and that many of the measures of the government have been contrary to the expectations they formed in acceding to the constitution; that these measures have nearly annihilated their commerce, and have imposed on them unequal burthens, while they have deprived Massachusetts of her proportional weight in the Union; and praying that our invading armies may be forthwith recalled within our own territories, and that every effort may be speedily directed to the attainment of peace; and the remonstrance was read.



Mr. Varnum presented the protest of the committee chosen by the minority of the Senators and Representatives of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, against the foregoing remonstrance of the legislature; and, declaring it as their opinion, that the war is just and necessary, and their entire approbation of the measures of the general government complained of; and the protest was read.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act freeing from postage all letters and packets to and from the Superintendent General of Military Supplies," in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was read.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 29, 1813.

Mr. Smith, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act to reward the officers and crew of the sloop of war Hornet," reported it with amendments; which,

On motion,

Were considered, as in committee of the whole, and agreed to; and the President reported the bill to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States was read the second time; and,

On motion,

Considered as in committee of the whole; and an amendment was adopted; and the President reported the bill to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes, was read the second time.

The bill to prohibit the citizens and inhabitants of the United States from carrying on any trade or traffic with the dominions or dependencies of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland was read the second time and considered as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill for the relief of Daniel Macaulay was read the second time.

The bill for the relief of Thomas Denny was read the second time.

Mr. Campbell, from the committee appointed on so much of the message of the President of the United States as concerns our foreign relations, reported a bill to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and the bill was read.

*Ordered,* That it pass to the second reading.

The bill to relinquish the claims of the United States to certain goods, wares, and merchandise, captured by private armed vessels, was read the second time.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, together with the amendments reported thereto by the select committee; and, having agreed to the amendments, and further amended the bill, the President reported it to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The President communicated a report of the Secretary for the Department of State, on the petition of Thomas Hall Storm, of the city of New York, to whom it was referred on the 22d instant; and the report was read.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 1813.

The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to reward the officers and crew of the sloop of war Hornet," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended; and the title was amended.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The bill authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time and the blanks filled.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill to prohibit the citizens and inhabitants of the United States from carrying on any trade or traffic with the dominions or dependencies of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act to prohibit the citizens and inhabitants of the United States from carrying on any trade or traffic with the dominions or dependencies of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

Mr. Gore presented the memorial of the Religious Society of Friends in New England, met in their annual assembly at Rhode Island, praying Congress to reconsider the effects and consequences of the war, and to adopt every necessary measure for the restoration of peace; and the memorial was read.

The bill to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act to incorporate a Fire Insurance Company in the town of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland was read the second time.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill for the relief of Thomas Denny; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill for the relief of Daniel Macaulay was resumed, as in committee of the whole; and, after debate,

On motion, by Mr. Taylor,

It was agreed that the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill to relinquish the claims of the United States to certain goods, wares, and merchandise, captured by private armed vessels; and, after debate,

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, JULY 1, 1813.

The bill for the relief of Thomas Denny was reported by the committee correctly engrossed.

Mr. German presented the petition of Richard Ward, of the town of New Rochelle, in the state of New York, stating that he hath obtained, at a very great expense, a machine for weaving stockings and stockinets of all descriptions, called the Nottingham warp loom; and, inasmuch as he is not the original inventor of the said machine, and therefore cannot avail himself of the privileges given by the patent laws, he prays a reimbursement of his expenses in obtaining, and a reward for the use of said loom; and the petition was read.

Mr. German also presented the petition of Elisha J. Winter, of the town of Peru, and state of New York, praying a remuneration for property forcibly taken for the use of the army of the United States, as is set forth at large in the petition; which was read.







✓ He also, from the same committee, to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia," reported it with amendments.

Mr. Robinson gave notice that to-morrow he should ask leave to bring in a bill for the relief of Thomas Hall Storm.

Mr. Worthington gave notice that to-morrow he should ask leave to bring in a bill authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured or destroyed by the enemy at Detroit.

The engrossed bill for the relief of Thomas Denny was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act for the relief of Thomas Denny."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk.

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States." They have also passed the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes,' with an amendment, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

On motion,

The Senate took into consideration the amendment of the House Representatives to the bill last mentioned.

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That they concur therein.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Lacock presented the petition of the President and Directors of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, stating that, previous to the declaration of the existing war between this country and Great Britain, a large box, containing some valuable paintings and engravings, which belong to the Academy, were shipped in Italy, but on their passage were captured by a British vessel of war and carried into Halifax; that, on application to Admiral Sawyer and the court of admiralty at Halifax, the said box, with its contents, were restored, and have since, by permission of the Secretary of State, been shipped on board a cartel vessel, and have arrived at Boston; and praying that a remission of the duties payable on said paintings may be granted; and the petition was read.

On motion, by Mr. Lacock,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Lacock, Bledsoe, and Bibb, be the committee.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### SATURDAY, JULY 3, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes,' also, the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States."

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Worthington asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured or destroyed by the enemy at Detroit; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Leib, from the committee appointed on the subject, reported a bill making an appropriation for finishing the Senate Chamber and repairing the roof of the north wing of the Capitol; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The bill providing for the further defence of the ports and harbors of the United States was read the second time.

✓ The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria," together with the amendments reported thereto by the select



committee; and having agreed to the amendments, the President reported the bill to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled, "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia," together with the amendments reported thereto by the select committee; and, having agreed to the amendments, the President reported the bill to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed two enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of their President. The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of a direct tax and internal duties;" also, a bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The two bills last mentioned were read.

*Ordered,* That they severally pass to the second reading.

The President signed the two enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

#### MONDAY, JULY 5, 1813.

The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria;" also, the amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia," were reported by the committee correctly engrossed.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Robinson asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill for the relief of Thomas Hall Storm; and the bill was read.

*Ordered,* That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that, on the 3d instant, they laid before the President of the United States the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Sloo;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes;' also, the enrolled bill, entitled "An act further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants."

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### TUESDAY, JULY 6, 1813.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a resolution appointing a committee on their part, to join such committee as the Senate may appoint, to consider and report what business will demand the attention of Congress prior to an adjournment, and also when such adjournment may probably take place.

They have passed the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors;" in which resolution and bill they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The resolution and bill last mentioned were read.

*Ordered,* That they severally pass to the second reading.

Mr. Fromentin gave notice that to-morrow he should ask leave to bring in a bill establishing a district court in the Mississippi territory.

Mr. German, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill for the relief of Elisha J. Winter; and the bill was read.

*Ordered,* That it pass to the second reading.



The bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of a direct tax and internal duties," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consist of five members, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. King, Worthington, Giles, Smith, and Bullock, be the committee.

The bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry," was read the second time.

The bill authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured and destroyed by the enemy at Detroit, was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Worthington, Bibb, and Bledsoe, be the committee.

The bill, entitled "An act freeing from postage all letters and packets to and from the Superintendent General of Military Supplies," was read the second time.

The bill making an appropriation for finishing the Senate Chamber, and repairing the roof of the north wing of the Capitol, was read the second time.

The bill for the relief of Thomas Hall Storm was read the second time.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States, on the 5th instant, approved and signed "An act for the relief of Thomas Sloo;" "An act to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes,'" "An act further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants;" also, "An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill to augment the capital stock of the Bank of Washington; and, after debate,

On motion, by Mr. Wells,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

The bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria," was read a third time as amended.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia," was read a third time as amended.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

Mr. Lacock, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill for the remission of certain duties to the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. King reported from the committee to whom was referred the petition of James Jay; and the report was read.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 1813.

The President communicated the petition of J. A. P. Pontington; which was read.

Mr. Dana, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the joint resolution brought up yesterday on the subject of an adjournment; which,

On motion,

Was twice read by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That the Senate concur therein; and,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Varnum, Leib, and Campbell, be the committee on their part.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Worthington, from the committee to whom was referred the bill authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured and destroyed by the enemy at Detroit, reported it without amendment.

The bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Smith,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee to whom was referred the bill for the assessment and collection of a direct tax and internal duties, to consider and report thereon.

The bill for the relief of Elisha J. Winter was read the second time.

The bill for the remission of certain duties to the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts was read the second time.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the report of the committee on the petition of James Jay, which is as follows:

"That, during the war of the Revolution, James Jay, upon his return from England, where he had been distinguished by his medical talents, became a creditor of the United States for a considerable sum of money; that, owing to delays on the part of the government, and the absence of Mr. Jay in attending upon General Washington, (to whom, as appears by the General's letter, he imparted a plan of secret correspondence, which proved to be of great importance in the course of the war,) the money due and afterwards paid to Mr. Jay was much depreciated. In consideration of these circumstances, which distinguish the case of Mr. Jay, the committee submit to the consideration of the Senate, that leave be given to bring in a bill to authorize the officers of the Treasury to examine the claim of Mr. Jay, and to allow him such balance, together with interest, as may be equitably due to him."

And, on the question, to give leave to bring in a bill accordingly,

It was determined in the negative.

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of a direct tax and internal duties," reported it with amendments.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes; and, the bill having been amended, the President reported it to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Senate resumed the second reading of the bill, entitled "An act freeing from postage all letters and packets to and from the Superintendent General of Military Supplies;" and,

*Ordered*, That it pass to the third reading.

The bill to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted under the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland was resumed; and,

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

It was agreed that it be the order of the day for to-morrow.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill for the further defence of the ports and harbors of the United States; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill making an appropriation for finishing the Senate Chamber, and repairing the roof of the north wing of the Capitol; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill for the relief of Thomas Hall Storm was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Robinson,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Robinson, King, and Varnum, be the committee.

On motion, by Mr. Fromentin,

*Resolved*, That the bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry," be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Fromentin, Brown, and Bledsoe, be the committee.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Fromentin asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill establishing a district court in the Mississippi territory; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.



Mr. German, from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill for the benefit of Richard Ward; and the bill was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

#### THURSDAY, JULY 8, 1813.

The bill concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States was read the second time.

The bill establishing a district court in the Mississippi territory was read the second time.

The bill for the benefit of Richard Hall Storm was read the second time.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill to prohibit the use of licences, or passes, granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and, after debate,

On motion, by Mr. King,

*Ordered*, That it be re-committed to the original committee, further to consider and report thereon.

The bill for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes, was reported by the committee correctly engrossed, and read a third time.

On motion, by Mr. Dana,

That the bill be recommitted,

It was determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas . . . . . 6,} \\ \text{Nays . . . . . 25.} \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Dana,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Dana, Gaillard, German, Horsey, Hunter and Wells.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Bullock, Condit, Daggett, Fromentin, Giles, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Howell, Lacock, Lambert, Leib, Mason, Morrow, Smith, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, and Worthington.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative.

So it was

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill making an appropriation for finishing the Senate Chamber, and repairing the roof of the north wing of the Capitol, was reported by the committee correctly engrossed, and read a third time, and the blank filled with "9,500 dollars."

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act making an appropriation for finishing the Senate Chamber, and repairing the roof of the north wing of the Capitol."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill providing for the further defence of the ports and harbors of the United States was reported by the committee correctly engrossed, and read a third time, and the blank filled with "250,000 dollars."

*Resolved*, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act providing for the further defence of the ports and harbors of the United States."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

The bill, entitled "An act freeing from postage all letters and packets to and from the superintendent general of military supplies," was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1813.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives concur in the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia;" and in the amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria;" also, in the amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to reward the officers and crew of the sloop of war Hornet, and lieutenant Elliot and his companions."

They have passed the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;" a bill, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise, and of ships and vessels;" a bill, entitled "An act laying duties on sugar refined within the United States;" also, a bill, entitled "An act to establish the office of commissioner of the revenue;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The four bills last mentioned were read.

*Ordered,* That they severally pass to the second reading.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of a direct tax and internal duties," together with the amendments reported thereto by the select committee; and, having agreed to the amendments,

On motion,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Fromentin, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry," reported it with an amendment.

Mr. Varnum, from the joint committee, appointed, on the part of the Senate, to consider and report the business requisite to be acted on during the present session, made a report in part; which was read.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, JULY 10, 1813.

Mr. Daggett presented the petition of Theodore Barrell and Nathaniel Gilbert, of Norwich, in the district of Connecticut, praying to be discharged from penalties incurred for an alleged violation of the non-importation law, for reasons stated at large in the petition; which was read.

The four bills brought up yesterday for concurrence were severally read the second time.

On motion,

*Ordered,* That they be severally referred to the committee who have under consideration the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties," to consider and report thereon.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons;" in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was read.

*Ordered,* That it pass to the second reading.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties," and the bill having been further amended, the President reported it to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Campbell, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act to prohibit the use of licences, or passes, granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland," reported it with amendments.

After the consideration of the Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, JULY 12, 1813.

Mr. Goldsborough reported from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of John Gooding and others; and the report was read.



The bill, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Daggett,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee, appointed the 6th instant, on the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties," to consider and report thereon.

The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties," were reported by the committee correctly engrossed; and the bill was read the third time as amended.

On motion, by Mr. Mason,

That the bill be re-committed for further amendment,

It was determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 13, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 21. \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Gilman,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Chace, Daggett, Dana, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, Lambert, Leib, Mason, and Robinson.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Bullock, Campbell, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, Giles, Howell, King, Lacock, Morrow, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, Wells, and Worthington.

On the question, Shall this bill pass as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 27, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 8. \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Bledsoe,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, German, Giles, Gore, Howell, King, Lacock, Leib, Morrow, Robinson, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, Wells, and Worthington.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Daggett, Dana, Gilman, Goldsborough, Horsey, Hunter, Lambert, and Mason.

So it was

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured by the enemy at Detroit. And, no amendment having been proposed,

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion, by Mr. Taylor,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the bill for the relief of Daniel Macauley be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Scott," with an amendment, in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. They have passed a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite;" a bill, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled in the service of the United States;" also, a bill, entitled "An act to continue in force, for a limited time, certain acts authorizing corps of rangers, for the protection of the frontier of the United States, and making appropriations for the same;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. They have also passed the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act to relinquish the claims of the United States to certain goods, wares, and merchandise, captured by private armed vessels. And he withdrew.

The three bills last brought up for concurrence were read.

*Ordered*, That they severally pass to the second reading.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry," together with the amendment reported thereto by the select committee; and the amendment having been adopted, the President reported it accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Horsey reported from the committee to whom were referred the message of the President of the United States of the 5th ultimo, together with the act therein communicated relative to the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal; and the report was read.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, together with the amendments reported thereto by the select committee; and having agreed, in part, to the amendments reported,

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the bill be postponed.

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act to establish the office of commissioner of the revenue," reported it with an amendment.

He also reported amendments to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise, and of ships and vessels;" also, to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors."

The bill authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured and destroyed by the enemy at Detroit; also, the amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry," were reported by the committee correctly engrossed.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

## TUESDAY, JULY 13, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria;" the bill, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia;" the bill, entitled "An act freeing from postage all letters and packets to and from the superintendent general of military supplies;" the bill, entitled "An act to relinquish the claims of the United States to certain goods, wares, and merchandise, captured by private armed vessels;" also, the bill, entitled "An act to reward the officers and crew of the sloop of war Hornet, and Lieutenant Elliot, his officers and companions."

The Senate resumed the consideration of the report of the committee to whom was referred the memorial of John Gooding and others; which was adopted.

Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

The Senate took into consideration the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Scott."

On motion, by Mr. Giles,

*Resolved*, That they concur therein, with the following amendment: strike out "five thousand," and insert "nine thousand."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The bill, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled in the service of the United States," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Varnum,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee appointed, on the 27th May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment, to consider and report thereon.

The bill, entitled "An act to continue in force, for a limited time, certain acts authorizing corps of rangers for the protection of the frontier of the United States, and making appropriations for the same," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee last mentioned, to consider and report thereon.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Turner,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Turner, Howell, and Robinson, be the committee.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed seve-



The President signed the five enrolled bills this day reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

On motion, by Mr. Giles,

It was determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot 13, \\ \text{Nays} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot 20. \end{array} \right.$

Ordered, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the next session of Congress.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President:* The President of the United States, on the 13th instant, approved and signed "An act to relinquish the claims of the United States to certain goods, wares, and merchandise, captured by private armed vessels."

*Ordered,* That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The bill to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland was reported by the committee correctly engrossed.

On motion, by Mr. Giles,

*Ordered,* That the third reading of this bill be postponed until to-morrow.

On motion,

It was agreed that the several orders of the day be postponed, for the purpose of taking into consideration the tax bills. Whereupon,

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments reported by the select committee to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors;" and, having in part agreed to the amendments reported,

On motion,

To strike out the seventh section, as reported by the select committee, which goes to the limitation of the act to one year after the termination of the war with Great Britain:

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 14,  
Nays . . . . . 20.

On motion, by Mr. Brent,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bibb, Brown, Daggett, Fromentin, German, Giles, Gilman, Gore, King, Lambert, Mason, Stone, Taylor, and Varnum.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bledsoe, Brent, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Dana, Gaillard, Goldsborough, Horsey, Howell, Hunter, Lacock, Leib, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Turner, and Worthington.

On motion, by Mr. Varnum,

That the bill be recommitted to the original committee, with instructions to amend the act; so that instead of a tax upon the capacity of the still, the same shall be laid upon the quantity of spirits distilled:

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 21,  
Nays . . . . . 13.

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Brown, Chace, Daggett, Dana, Fromentin, Gaillard, German, Giles, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Leib, Mason, Robinson, Stone, Turner, and Varnum.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Bullock, Campbell, Condit, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Tait, Taylor, and Worthington.

The bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry," was read a third time as amended.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass with amendment.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The engrossed bill authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured and destroyed by the enemy at Detroit was read a third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured and destroyed by the enemy at Detroit."

*Ordered,* That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day are postponed.



THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1813.

**A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:**

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives concur in the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry." They also concur in the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties," with an amendment, in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. They have passed a bill, entitled "An act to regulate the allowance of forage to officers in the army of the United States," in which bill they request the concurrence of the Senate. They have passed the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act providing for the further defence of the ports and harbors of the United States." The President of the United States, on the 13th instant, approved and signed "An act to reward the officers and crew of the sloop of war Hornet, and Lieutenant Elliot and his officers and companions;" "An act freeing from postage all letters and packets to and from the Superintendent General of Military Supplies;" "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria;" also, "An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia." And he withdrew.

The bill last brought up for concurrence was read.

**Ordered,** That it pass to the second reading.

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendment of the House of Representatives to their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties." Whereupon,

**Resolved,** That they do not concur therein.

**Ordered,** That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

On motion.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill for the relief of Elisha J. Winter; and the bill having been amended, the President reported it to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?  
It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion, by Mr. Dana,

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States.

On motion, by Mr. Bibb,

To postpone the further consideration thereof to the first Monday in December next,  
It was determined in the negative.

And the bill having been amended, the President reported it to the House accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was recommitted the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors," reported that, owing to the advanced stage of the session, the length of time that will be wanted to obtain information, and to modify the bill according to the instruction given to the committee, it would be impracticable to report the bill so amended during the session; and therefore moved that the committee be discharged. Whereupon,

Ordered, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of this bill.

The engrossed bill to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland was read a third time and the blank filled.

On motion, by Mr. Giles,

That the bill be recommitted for further amendment.

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 14,  
Nays . . . . . 18.

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Daggett, Dana, Promentin, German, Giles, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Mason, and Stone.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Gaillard  
Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, and Worthington





"It being a duty peculiarly incumbent in a time of public calamity and war, humbly

and devoutly to acknowledge our dependence on Almighty God, and to implore his aid and protection: therefore,

*Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That a joint committee of both Houses wait on the President of the United States and request that he recommend a day of public humiliation and prayer, to be observed by the people of the United States with religious solemnity, and the offering of fervent supplications to Almighty God for the safety and welfare of these states, his blessing on their arms, and the speedy restoration of peace."*

*Ordered, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this resolution.*

The engrossed bill for the relief of Elisha J. Winter was read a third time.

*Resolved, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act for the relief of Elisha J. Winter."*

*Ordered, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.*

The engrossed bill concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States was read a third time.

*Resolved, That this bill pass, and that the title thereof be "An act concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States."*

*Ordered, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives in this bill.*

The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise and of ships and vessels," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time as amended.

On motion, by Mr. Chace,

*Ordered, That the bill be recommitted to the original committee, for further amendment.*

Mr. King, from the committee last mentioned, reported the bill with further amendments; which were read and agreed to.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on sugar refined within the United States," together with the amendments reported thereto by the select committee; and, having agreed to amend the bill, the President reported it accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

### SATURDAY, JULY 17, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they yesterday laid before the President of the United States the enrolled bill, entitled "An act providing for the further defence of the ports and harbors of the United States."

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to authorize the transportation of certain documents free from postage;" also, a bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bills last brought up for concurrence were read.

*Ordered, That they severally pass to the second reading.*

Mr. Dana gave notice that on Monday he should ask leave to bring in a bill concerning evidence in cases of naturalization.

Mr. Turner, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite," reported it without amendment.

Mr. Robinson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the relief of Thomas Hall Storm, reported that the further consideration thereof be postponed to the next session of Congress; and the report was agreed to.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill for the benefit of Richard Ward.

On motion, by Mr. Bledsoe,

*Ordered, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the first Monday in December next.*



The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended.

On motion, by Mr. Horsey,

That this bill be recommitted, and that the committee be instructed to reduce the taxes on the fifth and sixth grades of carriages in as great a proportion as they have been reduced on the first, second, third, and fourth grades; or in case they deem it inexpedient to reduce the taxes on the fifth and sixth grades, that they report the same with the same rates of taxes it contained when sent from the House of Representatives:

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 11,  
Nays . . . . . 19.

On motion, by Mr. Horsey,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Condit, Daggett, Dana, German, Goldsborough, Horsey, Hunter, Lacock, Lambert, Leib, and Mason.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Fromentin, Giles, Gilman, Gore, Howell, King, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Worthington.

On the question, Shall this bill pass as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 20,  
Nays . . . . . 10.

On motion,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Bullock, Chace, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, German, Giles, Howell, Lacock, Leib, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Worthington.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Daggett, Dana, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, and Mason.

So it was

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended.

On the question, Shall this bill pass as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 22,  
Nays . . . . . 9.

On motion, by Mr. Gore,

The yeas and nays having been required by one fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, German, Giles, Gilman, Howell, Lacock, Mason, Morrow, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, and Worthington.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Daggett, Dana, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, and Stone.

So it was

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on sugar refined within the United States," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended.

On the question, Shall this bill pass as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 20,  
Nays . . . . . 10.

On motion, by Mr. Goldsborough,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to determine and provide by law, that all acts or parts of acts expressly interdicting the entrance of waters of the United States to any foreign vessels, or expressly prohibiting commerce with any foreign dominions, or in produc-



tions thereof, shall be considered as involved in the state of war now existing between the United States and Great Britain, and shall cease to operate in the event of a general truce or peace between the two countries.

The bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Taylor,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee appointed to consider the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties," to consider and report thereon.

The bill, entitled "An act to authorize the transportation of certain documents free from postage," was read the second time.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite," was read the third time:

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives concur in the amendments of the Senate to their amendments to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Scott." They concur in the resolution respecting a day of public humiliation and prayer. They also concur in the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to establish the office of Commissioner of the Revenue;" to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors;" to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on sugars refined within the United States;" to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise and of ships and vessels;" also, to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons." They have passed a bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions;" also, the bill, entitled "An act laying a duty on imported salt; granting a bounty on pickled fish exported, and allowances to certain vessels employed in the fisheries;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The two bills last mentioned were read.

*Ordered*, That they severally pass to the second reading.

Mr. King, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States," reported it with amendments.

On request, by Mr. Dana,

Mr. Daggett obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

## TUESDAY, JULY 20, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Alexander Scott."

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Anderson and Fromentin be the committee, on the part of the Senate, to wait on the President of the United States with the resolution respecting a day of public humiliation and prayer.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Fromentin, from the committee to whom was referred the bill establishing a district court in the Mississippi territory, reported it amended.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled in the service of the United States," reported it amended.

The bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions;" also, the bill, entitled "An act laying a duty on imported salt; granting a bounty on pickled fish exported, and allowances to certain vessels employed in the fisheries," were severally read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Taylor,

*Ordered*, That they severally be referred to the committee who have under consideration the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties," to consider and report thereon.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed the bill sent from the Senate, entitled "An act for the remission of certain duties to the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts;" also, the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States," with amendments, in which they request the concurrence of the Senate; also, the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization," with amendments, in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. They have passed a bill, entitled "An act giving further time for registering claims to lands in the late district of Arkansaw, in the territory of Missouri, and for other purposes;" a bill, entitled "An act to amend and explain the act regulating pensions to persons on board private armed ships;" a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of David Henly;" also, a bill, entitled "An act fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of their President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

The three bills first mentioned as brought up for concurrence were read.

*Ordered,* That they severally pass to the second reading.

On motion,

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States;" and

*Resolved,* That they concur therein.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The bill, entitled "An act to regulate the allowance of forage to officers in the army of the United States," was read a third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The bill, entitled "An act to continue in force, for a limited time, certain acts authorizing corps of rangers for the protection of the frontier of the United States, and making appropriations for the same," was read a third time.

*Resolved,* That this bill pass.

*Ordered,* That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The bill concerning evidence in cases of naturalization was read the second time.

The motion made yesterday respecting the acts interdicting the entrance of waters of the United States to any foreign vessels was read the second time.

The motion made yesterday respecting the portraits of the late King and Queen of France was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Bledsoe,

*Resolved,* That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Bledsoe, Giles, and Chace, be the committee.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President:* The President of the United States, on the 16th instant, approved and signed "An act providing for the further defence of the ports and harbors of the United States."

*Ordered,* That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States," together with the amendments reported thereto by the select committee; and, having agreed to the amendments with amendments,

On motion, by Mr. Varnum,

To strike out, 1st line, 1st section, "3,000,000," and insert, "2,000,000," the sum to be raised by this bill:

It was determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 4, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 25. \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Bledsoe,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Gore, Hunter, Mason, and Varnum.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Dana,



Fromentin, Gaillard, German, Gilman, Horsey, Howell, King, Lacock, Lambert, Leib, Morrow, Robinson, Stone, Tait, Turner, and Worthington.

On motion, by Mr. German,

To strike out the third section, it was agreed to take the question by yeas and nays; and,

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

It was agreed that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow.

After the consideration of confidential business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1813.

On motion, by Mr. Lacock,

*Resolved*, That the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization," be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Lacock, Dana, and Bibb, be the committee.

On motion, by Mr. Dana,

That the bill concerning evidence in cases of naturalization be now considered,

It was objected to.

The bill from the House of Representatives fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties;" the bill, entitled "An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry;" the bill, entitled "An act to regulate the allowance of forage to officers in the army of the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite;" the bill, entitled "An act concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act for the remission of certain duties to the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts."

Mr. Leib submitted the following motion for consideration:

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to revise the rules for conducting business in the Senate.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;" and the question recurring on the motion to strike out the third section—

It was determined in the negative,     $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 12, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 17. \end{array} \right.$

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Dana, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Hunter, King, Lambert, Leib, Mason, Robinson, and Varnum.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bibb, Bledsoe, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, Giles, Horsey, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Worthington.

A motion was made by Mr. Giles to expunge the sixth and seventh sections; and Mr. King called for a division of the question; and which was accordingly taken on striking out the sixth section, which empowers the states to vary the quotas on their respective counties more equitably; and

It was determined in the negative,     $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 12, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 19. \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. King,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Dana, German, Giles, Gilman, Goldsborough, Horsey, Hunter, King, Mason, Stone, Turner, and Varnum.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brown, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, Gore, Howell, Lacock, Lambert, Leib, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Taylor, and Worthington.

On the question, to strike out the seventh section, which empowers the states respectively to pay their quota in the Treasury, allowing a premium thereupon, and

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 8,  
Nays . . . . . 22.

Was considered as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been offered.



Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Gaillard, Giles, Hunter, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Wells, and Worthington.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

The bill, entitled "An act to authorize the transportation of certain documents free



On motion,

*Resolved,* That this bill pass.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions;" together with the amendments reported thereto by the select committee.

On motion.

It was determined in the affirmative,

{ Yeas . . . . .	19,
{ Nays . . . . .	12.

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bibb, Brown, Dana, Fromentin, German, Giles, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Leib, Mason, Smith, Stone, Varnum, and Wells.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bledsoe, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Worthington.

And the other amendments reported by the select committee having been agreed to, and the bill further amended,

On motion, by Mr. Bibb,

**Ordered,** That the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act laying a duty on imported salt; granting a bounty on pickled fish exported, and allowances to certain vessels employed in the fisheries;" and, the amendment reported by the select committee having been disagreed to, and no other amendment offered, the President reported the bill accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion.

The Senate took into consideration the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Elisha J. Winter."

Whereupon,

*Resolved, That they concur therein.*

**Ordered,** That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

They also considered the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the raising a corps of sea fencibles;" and,

*Resolved, That they concur therein.*

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they this day laid before the President of the United States the six enrolled bills last reported to have been examined.

After the consideration of Executive and confidential business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act making an appropriation for finishing the Senate Chamber and repairing the roof of the north wing of the Capitol;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Elisha J. Winter;" the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the raising a corps of sea fencibles;" the bill, entitled "An act to provide for the accommodation of the household of the President of the United States;" also, the bill, entitled "An act fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress."

Mr. Anderson, from the committee, reported that they had waited on the President of the United States with the resolution requesting him to recommend a day of public humiliation and prayer.

The President communicated the memorial of Ichabod B. Crane, and of Roger Jones,

It was determined in the negative.



*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to receive —— dollars in addition to his usual compensation, out of the contingent fund of this House, and to pay, out of the same fund, the sum of —— dollars to each of the clerks in his office; and —— dollars to the Doorkeeper, and —— dollars to the Assistant Doorkeeper, in addition to their usual compensation, being for extra services during this special ses-

sion; also, to Robert Tweedy, Benjamin G. Bowen, and Tobias Simpson, ——— dollars each, in addition to their usual allowance; and to Charles Tims ——— dollars for his services during the session; and the motion was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States this day approved and signed "An act to authorize the raising a corps of sea fencibles;" "An act making an appropriation for finishing the Senate Chamber and repairing the roof of the north wing of the Capitol;" "An act for the relief of Elisha J. Winter;" "An act to provide for the accommodation of the household of the President of the United States;"

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of their President. And he withdrew.

The amendments to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions;" were reported by the committee correctly engrossed.

After the consideration of Executive and confidential business,

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

## TUESDAY, JULY 27, 1813.

The President communicated a report of the Secretary for the Department of War on the petition of Stephen Jumel, and others, referred to him on the 22d instant; and the report was read.

Mr. Gaillard presented the petition of Henry Bryce, merchant, of Charleston, South Carolina, praying to be released from certain bonds to the United States, for reasons stated at large in the petition; and the petition was read.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States, on the 24th instant, approved and signed "An act laying duties on sales at auction of merchandise and of ships and vessels;" "An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors;" "An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons;" "An act to continue in force for a limited time certain acts authorizing corps of rangers for the protection of the frontier of the United States, and making appropriations for the same;" "An act to establish the office of commissioner of the revenue;" also, "An act laying duties on sugar refined within the United States."

The House of Representatives agree to some and disagree to other amendments of the Senate to the following bills: the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise."

They have passed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes," with amendments, in which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

They have passed the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Denny." They have passed a bill, entitled "An act authorizing the sale of sundry lots, the property of the United States, in the borough of Pittsburgh;" also, a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Lyon;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The two bills last mentioned were read.

*Ordered*, That they severally pass to the second reading.

Mr. Leib presented the petition of Thomas Skelly, of the city of Philadelphia, merchant, stating that he was owner of the brigantine called the Meteor, and that the said brigantine was captured by a British armed vessel whilst on her return to the United States, and illegally condemned in the British high court of admiralty; and praying relief; and,

On his motion,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the Secretary for the Department of State, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Bledsoe, from the committee to whom was referred the motion respecting the portraits of the late king and queen of France, reported it without amendment.



The Senate resumed the consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization," together with the amendment reported thereto by the select committee, which was amended; and

*Resolved*, That they concur in the amendment with amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The resolution from the House of Representatives fixing the time for the adjournment of the two Houses of Congress, was read a second time.

The bill, entitled "An act for the better regulation of the ordnance;" also, the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes,' and to increase the pay of the volunteer and militia corps," were read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Smith,

*Ordered*, That they severally be referred to the committee appointed the 27th May on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment, to consider and report thereon.

The bill from the House of Representatives, entitled "An act for the relief of Willet Warne," was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the collection of internal duties and for the appointment and compensation of assessors," was read the first and second times by unanimous consent.

On motion, by Mr. King,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consist of five members, to consider and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Giles, King, Bullock, Smith, and Worthington, be the committee.

The bill, entitled "An act authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding seven millions five hundred thousand dollars," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee last mentioned, to consider and report thereon.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and crew of the United States' brig Vixen," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Smith,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee appointed the 27th May on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the naval establishment, to consider and report thereon.

The bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John James Dufour and his associates," was read the second time.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

*Ordered*, That it be referred to the committee appointed the 4th of June on the subject of public lands, to consider and report thereon.

The bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions," was read a third time as amended.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

To postpone the further consideration of the bill to the first Monday in December next.

It was determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 15, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 18. \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Brown, Dana, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Leib, Mason, Smith, Stone, and Wells.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, Giles, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Worthington.

On the question, Shall this bill pass as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 19,  
 { Nays . . . . . 14.

On motion,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, Giles, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Smith, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Worthington.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Brown, Dana, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Leib, Mason, Stone, and Wells.

So it was

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act reducing the duties on prize goods captured by the private armed vessels of the United States," in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

On motion,

The Senate took into consideration their amendments disagreed to by the House of Representatives, to the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;" and,

On motion,

*Resolved*, That they insist on their amendments disagreed to, and ask a conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. King, Worthington, and Giles, be the managers at the said conference on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act laying a duty on imported salt, granting a bounty on pickled fish exported, and allowances to certain vessels employed in the fisheries;" also, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Denny."

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments disagreed to by the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise."

On motion,

*Resolved*, That they insist on their amendments and ask a conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. King, Worthington, and Giles, be the managers at the said conference on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The Senate also proceeded to consider the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes."

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That they concur therein.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the motion made yesterday, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, requested to cause to be laid before the Senate the terms upon which the loan, made in pursuance of "An act authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding sixteen millions of dollars," passed the eighth day of February last, has been obtained or contracted for, together with a copy of such contract.

And the motion was agreed to.

The resolution authorizing an additional compensation, for this session, to the Secretary of the Senate, clerks, &c. was read a second time.

On motion, by Mr. German,

It was agreed that Elisha J. Winter have leave to withdraw his papers.

After the consideration of Executive business, the Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.



WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 1813.

On motion, by Mr. Bledsoe,

It was agreed that the daily meeting of the Senate be at 10 o'clock, for the remainder of the session.

On request,

Mr. Chace obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes; and also of Henry Bryce."

He also reported, from the joint committee appointed to consider when an adjournment of Congress may probably take place, that they could come to no agreement with the committee on the part of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The resolution fixing the time for the adjournment of the two Houses of Congress was resumed, as in committee of the whole; and,

On motion,

It was amended, by striking out "Thursday, the 29th day of July, instant," and inserting "Monday, the 2d day of August next."

On the question, Shall this resolution be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of their President.

The House of Representatives disagree to the amendment of the Senate to their amendment to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization." They insist on their disagreement to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;" they also insist on their disagreement to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise." They agree to the conference proposed on the subject, and have appointed managers on their part.

They agree to the amendment, line 13, sec. 4, and disagree to all the other amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions."

They have passed a bill, entitled "An act explanatory of an act, entitled 'An act to raise ten additional companies of rangers;' in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The President signed the three enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

After the consideration of confidential and Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they yesterday laid before the President of the United States the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Denny;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes; and also of Henry Bryce;" the enrolled bill, entitled "An act laying a duty on imported salt, granting a bounty on pickled fish exported, and allowances to certain vessels employed in the fisheries," also, the enrolled bill, entitled "An act to authorize the transportation of certain documents free of postage."

Mr. Robinson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act concerning invalid pensioners," reported it without amendment.

Mr. Morrow, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John James Dufour and his associates," reported it without amendment.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

The Senate proceeded to consider their amendment, disagreed to by the House of

Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

On motion, by Mr. Worthington,

On motion, by Mr. Dana,

And a motion was made, by Mr. Dana, that it be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Whereupon,

Mr. Taylor moved to refer it to a select committee; and

It was determined in the negative.

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

On motion,

The Senate proceeded to consider the amendments disagreed to by the House of Representatives to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions."

On motion, by Mr. King,

That the Senate insist on their amendments disagreed to,

Mr. Campbell moved that the Senate recede from their amendment to strike out of sec. 2, line 4, the word "two," and insert "one."

Whereupon,

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

It was determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 11, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 18. \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Dana, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Hunter, King, Leib, Mason, Stone, and Wells.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Bullock, Campbell, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, Giles, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, and Worthington.

On motion, by Mr. King,

*Resolved*, That the Senate insist on all their amendments disagreed to, and ask a conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill last mentioned.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. King, Worthington, and Giles, be the managers at the said conference on the part of the Senate.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President:* The President of the United States, on the 28th instant, approved and signed "An act for the relief of Thomas Denny;" and, this day, "An act for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes; and also of Henry Bryce."

*Ordered,* That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk.

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed the bill, entitled "An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of private armed vessels of the United States;" also, a bill, entitled "An act making additional appropriations for the support of government during the year 1813;" in which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.



The two bills last mentioned were read.

*Ordered*, That they pass to the second reading.

The bill, entitled "An act making additional appropriations for the support of government during the year 1813," was read the second time by unanimous consent.

The amendment to the resolution fixing the time for the adjournment of the two Houses of Congress, having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the resolution was read a third time as amended.

*Resolved*, That this resolution pass with an amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

Mr. King, from the managers on the part of the Senate at the conference on the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licenses to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise," reported certain modifications of the amendments disagreed to.

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Senate concur in the report of the conferees, and that the bill be amended accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

The bill, entitled "An act for reducing the duties payable on prize goods captured by the private armed vessels of the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Lyon;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Willet Warne;" and the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the sale of sundry lots, the property of the United States, in the borough of Pittsburgh," were severally read the second time.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*To the Senate of the United States:*

I transmit to the Senate a report of the acting Secretary of the Treasury, containing the information requested by their resolution of the 27th instant.

JAMES MADISON.

*Washington, July 28th, 1813.*

*Ordered*, That the message and documents therein referred to be printed for the use of the Senate.

After the consideration of Executive and confidential business,

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

### FRIDAY, JULY 30, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled, the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization."

Mr. Anderson, from the committee appointed the 27th May, on so much of the message of the President of the United States as relates to the military establishment, reported a bill supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled 'An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes;'" and the bill was twice read by unanimous consent.

On the question, Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the bill having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed,

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

*Ordered*, That it be postponed indefinitely.

Mr. Anderson also reported the bill, entitled "An act explanatory of an act, entitled 'An act to raise ten additional companies of rangers,'" without amendment.

He also reported the bill, entitled "An act for the better regulation of the ordinance," with an amendment; which was considered and agreed to.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act concerning invalid pensioners."

On motion, by Mr. Robinson,

The bill was amended, and the President reported it accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives agree to the modification of the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to

retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise," as reported by the managers at the conference on the said bill. They insist on their disagreement to the amendments of the Senate to the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions;" they agree to the conference proposed on the subject, and have appointed managers on their part. They have passed the bill, entitled "An act to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland." They concur in the amendment of the Senate to the resolution fixing the time for the adjournment of the two Houses of Congress. The President of the United States, on the 27th instant, approved and signed "An act fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress;" on the 28th instant, "An act to authorize the transportation of certain documents free of postage;" and, on the 29th, "An act laying a duty on imported salt, granting a bounty on pickled fish exported, and allowances to certain vessels employed in the fisheries." The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of their President. The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act to authorize the appointment, by the President, of certain officers during the recess of the Senate;" in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was thrice read by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Giles, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding seven millions five hundred thousand dollars," reported it with an amendment; which was read and agreed to.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The amendment to the bill last mentioned having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended, by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with an amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

Mr. Giles reported the bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the collection of internal duties, and for the appointment and compensation of assessors," with amendments; which were read and agreed to.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The amendments to the bill last mentioned having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended, by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the resolution authorizing additional compensation for this session to the Secretary of the Senate, his Clerks, &c. and the resolution was amended.

On the question, Shall this resolution be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The resolution having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, was read a third time by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this resolution pass, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate pay, out of the contingent fund of this House, to Robert Tweedy, Benjamin G. Bowen, and Tobias Simpson, thirty-five dollars each, in addition to their usual allowances as attendants to the Senate; and to Charles Tims thirty-five dollars for his services during the session.

Mr. King, from the managers on the part of the Senate at the conference on the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions," reported certain modifications of the amendments.

Whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the Senate disagree to the report of the joint conferees, so far as respects the amendment proposed in the fourth line of the second section, which enables the banks to compound at one instead of two and a half per cent.; and do insist upon their amendment.



That the Senate do agree to the residue of the said report, and accordingly recede from their other amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act to prohibit the use of licences or passes granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland."

The bill, entitled "An act making additional appropriations for the support of government during the year one thousand eight hundred and thirteen," was resumed, and read a third time by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled, in the service of the United States," together with the amendment reported thereto by the select committee; and, having agreed to the amendment, the President reported it accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The amendment to the bill last mentioned having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read the third time as amended, by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with an amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

On motion, by Mr. Dana,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the bill concerning evidence in cases of naturalization be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

The amendment to the bill, entitled "An act concerning invalid pensioners," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended, by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with an amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

Mr. Gaillard, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and crew of the United States' brig Vixen," reported it with an amendment; which was read and agreed to.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act giving further time for registering claims to lands in the late district of Arkansas, in the territory of Missouri, and for other purposes;" and the bill having been amended, the President reported it accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The amendments to the bill last mentioned were reported by the committee correctly engrossed.

Mr. King, from the managers on the part of the Senate at the conference on the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States," reported certain modifications thereof; and the report was adopted; and

*Resolved*, That the bill be amended accordingly,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An act to provide for calling forth the militia to execute the laws of the Union, suppress insurrections, and repel invasions, and to repeal the act now in force for those purposes,' and to increase the pay of the volunteer and military corps," reported it without amendment; and,

On his motion,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

On request,

Mr. Mason obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Worthington, from the committee to whom were referred the memorials of Ichabod B. Crane and Roger Jones, captains in the army of the United States, reported the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Department of War be directed to lay before the Senate, at its next session, a roster of all the commissioned officers in the army of the United States, in such form as will enable the Senate to judge upon all questions of regular or irregular promotions.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act reducing the duties payable on prize goods captured by the private armed vessels of the United States."

On motion, by Mr. Mason,

To amend the bill, by inserting, after "war," 3d line, "by any public armed ship or vessel."

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 7,  
Nays . . . . . 19.

On motion, by Mr. German,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are,

Messrs. Dana, German, Gilman, Gore, King, Lambert, and Mason.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Bullock, Campbell, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, Howell, Lacock, Leib, Morrow, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Varnum.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 18,  
Nays . . . . . 8.

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Bullock, Campbell, Condit, Fromentin, Gaillard, Howell, Lacock, Leib, Morrow, Stone, Tait, Taylor, and Varnum.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Dana, German, Gilman, Gore, King, Lambert, Mason, and Turner.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill establishing a district court in the Mississippi territory; and the bill having been amended, the President reported it accordingly.

A motion was made by Mr. Bullock to postpone the further consideration thereof to the first Monday in December next, which was determined in the negative.

On the question, Shall the bill be engrossed and read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill, entitled "An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States," was read the second time.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning; to which time the several orders of the day were postponed.

### SATURDAY, JULY 31, 1813.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of David Henley;" and, no amendment having been proposed,

On motion,

It was read a third time by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John James Dufour and his associates;" and, no amendment having been proposed,

On motion,

The bill was read a third time by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spiritous liquors, and foreign merchandise;" also, the bill, entitled "An act authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding seven millions five hundred thousand dollars;" and that



A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

The House of Representatives agree to the amendment of the Senate to the following bills: to a bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the collection of internal duties, and for the appointment and compensation of assessors;" a bill, entitled "An act concerning invalid pensioners;" and a bill, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled in the service of the United States."

They concur in the report of the committee of conference on the amendments to the bill, entitled "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States."

The President signed the four enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Lyon;" and,

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a select committee, to consider and report thereon.

The bill, entitled "An act to authorize the appointment, by the President, of certain officers during the recess of the Senate," having been read a third time,

**Ordered,** That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative, { Yeas . . . . . 11,  
Nays . . . . . 11.

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Messrs. Anderson, Bledsoe, Brent, Bullock, Campbell, Condit, Fromentin, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, and Tait.

Messrs. Dana, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Turner, and Wells.

The Senate being equally divided, the President determined the question in the affirmative.

*Resolved, That this bill pass.*

**Ordered,** That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The bill, entitled "An act explanatory of an act, entitled 'An act to raise ten additional companies of rangers,'" was read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

**Ordered,** That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The bill, entitled "An act giving further time for registering claims to lands in the late district of Arkansas, in the territory of Missouri, and for other purposes," was read a third time as amended.

*Resolved, That this bill pass with an amendment,*

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

The bill establishing a district court in the Mississippi territory, having been reported correctly engrossed, was read a third time.

On motion, by Mr. Bullock,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to the first Monday in December next.

The amendment to the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An act for the better regulation of the ordnance,'" having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with an amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they laid before the President of the United States the four enrolled bills last reported to have been examined; and that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act making additional appropriations for the support of government during the year one thousand eight hundred and thirteen;" the bill, entitled "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled, in the service of the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act making further provision for the collection of internal duties, and for the appointment and compensation of assessors;" also, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of John James Dufour and his associates."

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States yesterday approved and signed "An act supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the motion respecting the portraits of the late King and Queen of France; and

On the question, Shall this resolution be engrossed and read a third time?

It was determined in the negative.

The bill, entitled "An act authorizing the sale of sundry lots, the property of the United States, in the borough of Pittsburg," was read the second time; and,

On motion,

The bill was read a third time by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of their President. The House of Representatives have passed the bill which originated in the Senate, entitled "An act authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured or destroyed by the enemy at Detroit." They have passed the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joshua Dorsey;" in which they request the concurrence of the Senate. And he withdrew.

The bill last mentioned was read.

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

The President signed the four enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the resolution reported yesterday from the committee to whom were referred the memorials of Ichabod B. Crane and Roger Jones; and agreed thereto.

The amendment to the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and crew of the United States' brig Vixen," having been reported by the committee correctly engrossed, the bill was read a third time as amended.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass with an amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary request the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives agree to the amendments of the Senate to the following bills: to a bill, entitled "An act giving further time for registering claims to lands in the late district of Arkansaw, in the territory of Missouri, and for other purposes;" to a bill, entitled "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An



act for the better regulation of the ordnance;" to a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and crew of the late United States' brig Vixen." And he withdrew. After the consideration of Executive and confidential business, The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they yesterday laid before the President of the United States the four enrolled bills last reported to have been examined; and that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of David Henley;" the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the sale of sundry lots, the property of the United States, in the borough of Pittsburg;" the bill, entitled "An act reducing the duties on prize goods captured by the private armed vessels of the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the appointment by the President of certain officers during the recess of the Senate;" the bill, entitled "An act concerning invalid pensioners;" the bill, entitled "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions;" the bill, entitled "An act explanatory of an act, entitled 'An act to raise ten additional companies of rangers;" the bill, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, entitled 'An act for the better regulation of the ordnance;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of the officers and crew of the United States' brig Vixen;" also, the bill entitled "An act authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured or destroyed by the enemy at Detroit."

Mr. Bledsoe, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Lyon," reported it without amendment; and;

On motion,

It was read a third time by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The bill, entitled "An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States," was resumed, as in committee of the whole.

On the question, Shall this bill pass to a third reading?

It was determined in the affirmative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas . . . . . 16,} \\ \text{Nays . . . . . 6.} \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Lacock,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bledsoe, Brown, Bullock, Condit, Gaillard, Giles, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Varnum.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, King, Lambert, and Wells.

On motion,

It was agreed, by unanimous consent, that the bill be now read a third time.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

The bill, entitled "An act to amend and explain the acts regulating pensions to persons on board private armed ships," was resumed, as in committee of the whole; and, no amendment having been proposed,

On motion,

It was read a third time by unanimous consent.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas . . . . . 13,} \\ \text{Nays . . . . . 7.} \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Gilman,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bledsoe, Brown, Bullock, Gaillard, Howell, Morrow, Robinson, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Varnum.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Condit, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, King, Lambert, and Wells.

So it was

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

On motion, by Mr. King,

*Ordered*, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be, and is hereby, directed to remove the portraits of the King and Queen of France from the apartment in which they are now placed, and to put them up in one of the committee rooms of the Senate, causing the portraits to be first cleaned and repaired by a person skilful in such business.

*Ordered*, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be, and is hereby, directed to sell the old furniture belonging to the Senate room, and remaining in the lower northwest room of the Capitol.

After the consideration of Executive business,

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 1813.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the bill, entitled "An act giving further time for registering claims to lands in the late district of Arkansas, in the territory of Missouri, and for other purposes;" the bill, entitled "An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States;" the bill, entitled "An act to amend and explain the acts regulating pensions to persons on board private armed ships;" the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Joshua Dorsey;" and the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of George Lyon."

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed several enrolled bills, I am directed to bring them to the Senate for the signature of their President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the fifteen enrolled bills last reported to have been examined, and they were delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Willet Warne."

On motion,

It was read a third time by unanimous consent.

*Resolved*, That this bill pass.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had examined and found duly enrolled the last mentioned bill.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That Messrs. Varnum and Gaillard be a committee on the part of the Senate, jointly with such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives, to wait on the President of the United States, and notify him that, unless he may have any further communications to make to the two Houses of Congress, they are ready to adjourn.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary acquaint the House of Representatives therewith, and request the appointment of a committee on their part.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have appointed a committee on their part, to wait on the President of the United States and notify him of the intended recess of Congress. The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, I am directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of their President. And he withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President of the United States.

Mr. Varnum reported, from the committee, that they had laid before the President of the United States the sixteen enrolled bills last reported to have been examined.

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States this day approved and signed "An act authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured or destroyed by the enemy at Detroit;" also, "An act to prohibit the use of licences or passes, granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary notify the House of Representatives accordingly.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Magruder, their Clerk:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States this day approved and signed "An act explanatory of an act, entitled 'An act to raise ten additional companies of rangers;" "An act for the relief of the officers and crew of the late United States brig Vixen;" "An act for the relief of Joshua Dorsey;" "An act concerning invalid



pensioners;" "An act to authorize the appointment, by the President, of certain officers during the recess of the Senate;" "An act authorizing the sale of sundry lots, the property of the United States, in the borough of Pittsburg;" "An act for the relief of David Henley;" "An act for the relief of Willet Warne;" "An act giving further time for registering claims to lands in the late district of Arkansas, in the territory of Missouri, and for other purposes;" "An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States;" "An act supplementary to the act, entitled 'An act for the better regulation of the ordnance,'" "An act authorizing a loan, for a sum not exceeding seven millions five hundred thousand dollars;" "An act for the relief of John James Dufour and his associates;" "An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise;" "An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled, in the service of the United States;" "An act making additional appropriations for the support of government during the year one thousand eight hundred and thirteen;" "An act making further provision for the collection of internal duties, and for the appointment and compensation of assessors;" "An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States;" "An act reducing the duties payable on prize goods captured by the private armed vessels of the United States;" "An act to amend and explain the act regulating pensions to persons on board private armed ships;" "An act for the relief of George Lyon;" "An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions." And he withdrew.

Mr. Varnum, from the committee, reported that they had waited on the President of the United States, who informed them that he had no further communications to make to the two Houses of Congress.

Whereupon,

The Vice President, agreeably to the resolution of the two Houses, adjourned the Senate to the first Monday in December next.

## APPENDIX.

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*Confidential proceedings, from which the injunction of secrecy is removed.*

**TUESDAY, JULY 20, 1813.**

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Graham:

[CONFIDENTIAL.]

*To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:*

There being sufficient ground to infer that it is the purpose of the enemy to combine with the blockade of our ports, special licences to neutral vessels, or to British vessels in neutral disguises, whereby they may draw from our country the precise kind and quantity of exports essential to their wants, whilst its general commerce remains obstructed, keeping in view also the insidious discrimination between the different ports of the United States; and as such a system, if not counteracted, will have the effect of diminishing very materially the pressure of the war on the enemy, and encouraging a perseverance in it, at the same time that it will leave the general commerce of the United States under all the pressure the enemy can impose, thus subjecting the whole to British regulation in subserviency to British monopoly, I recommend to the consideration of Congress the expediency of an immediate and effectual prohibition of exports, limited to a convenient day in their next session, and removable in the mean time in the event of a cessation of the blockade of our ports.

JAMES MADISON.

*Washington, July 20, 1813.*

The message was read; and,

On motion,

*Ordered,* That it be referred to the committee who have under consideration so much of the message of the President of the United States as concerns our foreign relations, to consider and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

**FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1813.**

A message from the House of Representatives by Messrs. Grundy and Robinson, two members of that body; Mr. Grundy, chairman:

*Mr. President:* The House of Representatives have passed a bill, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States;" in which they request the concurrence of the Senate; and that the bill may be considered by the Senate confidentially. And they withdrew.

The bill was read; and,

On motion, by Mr. Smith,

It was read the second time by unanimous consent.

On his motion,

*Ordered,* That it be referred to the committee who have under consideration the message of the President of the United States, on the same subject, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

*Ordered,* That the bill be printed for the use of the Senate, under an injunction of secrecy.



Mr. Campbell, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," reported it amended.

Ordered, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to, and made the order of the day for, Monday next.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States;" together with the amendment reported thereto by the select committee; and having amended the amendment to read as follows:

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are,  
Messrs. Bibb, Brown, Dana, Fromentin, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Leib, Mason, Smith, and Wells.

Those who voted in the negative, are,  
Messrs. Bledsoe, Brent, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Gaillard, Giles, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, and Worthington.

On motion, by Mr. Goldsborough,  
To strike out the 14th section,

It was determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 12, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 21. \end{array} \right.$

On motion, by Mr. Goldsborough,  
The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,  
Those who voted in the affirmative, are,  
Messrs. Dana, Fromentin, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Mason, and Wells.

Those who voted in the negative, are,  
Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bledsoe, Brent, Brown, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Gaillard, Giles, Howell, Lacock, Morrow, Robinson, Smith, Stone, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Varnum.

A motion was made, by Mr. Dana, further to amend the bill; and,

On motion, by Mr. Smith,

It was agreed that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 1813.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States."

And the motion, by Mr. Dana, to strike out, of section 12, lines 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, the words, "or in any manner apparently on their way towards the territories of a foreign nation or the vicinity thereof, or towards a place whence such articles are intended to be exported, or place in the possession of the enemies of the United States," was resumed,

And determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 15, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 18. \end{array} \right.$

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Brown, Dana, Fromentin, German, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Hunter, King, Lambert, Mason, Taylor, and Wells.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bledsoe, Brent, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Gaillard, Giles, Howell, Lacock, Leib, Morrow, Robinson, Stone, Tait, Turner, Varnum, and Worthington.

And, the bill having been further amended, the President reported it to the House accordingly.

On motion, by Mr. Campbell,

It was agreed to take the question on the third reading of this bill by yeas and nays.

On the question, Shall this bill be read a third time as amended?

It was determined in the negative,  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Yeas} \dots\dots\dots 16, \\ \text{Nays} \dots\dots\dots 18. \end{array} \right.$

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bledsoe, Brent, Bullock, Campbell, Chace, Condit, Gaillard, Howell, Lacock, Leib, Morrow, Robinson, Tait, Taylor, Turner, and Worthington.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Brown, Dana, Fromentin, German, Giles, Gilman, Goldsborough, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, King, Lambert, Mason, Stone, Varnum, and Wells.

On motion,

Ordered, That Messrs. Campbell and Varnum be a committee, confidentially, to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate do not concur in this bill.

On motion, by Mr. Horsey,

That the injunction of secrecy touching the message of the President of the United States of the 20th instant, and the proceedings of the Senate on the bill, entitled "An



act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States," be, and the same is hereby removed.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow.

**THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1813.**

Mr. Campbell, from the committee appointed yesterday to carry a confidential message to the House of Representatives, reported that they had performed the service.

The Senate proceeded to consider the motion submitted yesterday respecting the injunction of secrecy, and it was agreed to.

## IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

SATURDAY, JULY 31, 1813.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,  
*Ordered*, That the confidential proceedings of the Senate at their last session, in relation to East Florida, be made public.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1812.

Mr. Anderson submitted the following motion for consideration, which was read:  
*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to consider whether it be expedient to authorize the President of the United States to occupy and hold the whole or any part of East Florida, including Amelia Island, and also those parts of West Florida which are not now in possession and under the jurisdiction of the United States, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1812.

The Senate proceeded to consider the motion submitted the 10th instant, respecting the Floridas; and, after debate,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed to Monday next.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1812.

Mr. Leib submitted the following motion for consideration:

*Resolved*, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before the Senate any information which he may have of the intention of the enemy to take possession of East Florida, and of the disposition of the people of that territory to be received under the protection of the government of the United States; the amount of the American force in that neighborhood, and under the command of General Wilkinson; and the quantum of Spanish or other force in St. Augustine, Pensacola, and Mobile.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1812.

The Senate proceeded to consider the motion submitted the 16th instant, calling upon the President of the United States for information respecting East Florida; and,

On motion, by Mr. Goodrich,

To amend the motion, so as to read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before the Senate any information which he may have of the intention of the enemy to take possession of East Florida, and of the disposition of the people of that territory to be received under the protection of the government of the United States; the amount of the American force in that neighborhood, and under the command of General Wilkinson; and the quantum of the Spanish or other force in St. Augustine, Pensacola, and Mobile; and respecting any negotiation that may have been had for the settlement of differences and claims existing between the United States and Spain, not heretofore laid before the Senate; respecting any proposal or negotiation that may have been made, or had, by or with any person or persons exercising the powers of the government of Spain, or claiming to exercise the powers of said government, or with their respective agents, for the cession of East Florida to the United States; respecting any proposal to or from the local authorities of East Florida, (not heretofore communicated,) for the cession, surrender, or occupancy thereof, to or by the United States; and, also, any information respecting the relations of the United States with Spain or said territory of East Florida, which the President may deem proper to communicate.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the motion for amendment be postponed to Monday next.



The Senate resumed the motion made the 10th instant to appoint a committee to inquire into the expediency of taking possession of East Florida; and,

It was determined in the negative, { Yeas . . . . . 15,  
{ Nays . . . . . 15.

It was determined in the affirmative,	{	Yeas . . . . .	18,
		Nays . . . . .	12.

On the question to agree thereto,

it was determined in the negative,

§ Yeas . . . . .	13,
§ Nays . . . . .	18.

On motion, by Mr. Varnum,

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bayard, German, Gilman, Goodrich, Gregg, Horsey, Hunter, Lambert, Leib, Lloyd, Pope, Reed, and Smith, of Maryland.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibb, Bradley, Campbell, of Tennessee, Crawford, Cutts, Franklin, Gaillard, Howell, Magruder, Posey, Robinson, Smith, of New York, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, and Worthington.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

*Ordered*, That the message and documents therein referred to, be referred to the committee appointed the 22d December on the same subject, to consider and report thereon.

**Mr. Bradley submitted the following motion for consideration:**

*Resolved*, That the President of the United States be requested to cause to be laid before the Senate all letters and communications that have passed between the government of the United States and that of Spain, or the ministers thereof, since the 9th day of January, 1804, on the subject of indemnities for spoliations committed on our commerce by her subjects before that time; and, also, in relation to French seizures and condemnation of our vessels in the ports of Spain, during the late war with France; together with such communications between this and the French government, as relate to the same subjects; with such instructions as have been given to the ministers of the United States in relation to the same. And any propositions or negotiations that have been had or made with France or Spain, for ceding East Florida to the United States, previous to the 15th day of January, 1811, not heretofore communicated.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1813.**

The Senate proceeded to consider the motion submitted yesterday by Mr. Bradley;  
and,

On motion, by Mr. Campbell, of Ohio,

**Ordered,** That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Monday next.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 1813.**

The motion submitted by Mr. Bradley on the 15th instant was resumed and agreed to without amendment.

Ordered, That the Secretary lay the said resolution before the President of the United States.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1813.**

Mr. Anderson, from the committee appointed the 22d December on the subject, reported the following bill:

A bill authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory, and of the state of Georgia, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to occupy and hold all that tract of country called West Florida, which lies west of the river Perdido, not now in possession of the United States.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to occupy and hold all that part of West Florida east of the Perdido, and the whole or any part of East Florida, including Amelia Island.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That, for the purpose of occupying and holding the country aforesaid, and of affording protection to the inhabitants thereof, under the authority of the United States, the President may employ such parts of the military and naval force of the United States as he may deem necessary.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That, for defraying the necessary expenses, ——— dollars are hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and to be applied for the purposes aforesaid, under the direction of the President.



SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That, until further provision shall be made by Congress, the President shall be, and hereby is, empowered to establish within the country he may acquire by this act a temporary government, the civil and military authorities of which shall be vested in such person and persons as he may appoint, and be exercised in such manner as he may direct: *Provided*, That he shall take due care for the preservation of social order, and for securing to the inhabitants the enjoyments of their personal rights, their religion, and their property: *And provided, also*, That the section of country herein designated, that is situated to the eastward of the river Perdidó, may be the subject of future negotiation.

The bill was read; and

*Ordered*, That it pass to the second reading.

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1813.

The bill authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and of the state of Georgia, and for other purposes, was read the second time.

Mr. Leib submitted the following motion for consideration:

*Resolved*, That the documents which accompanied the President's message of the 14th instant, be confidentially printed for the use of the Senate, excepting those papers which relate to the stations and the amount of the military force of the United States, and the letter of General Pinckney of the 27th December.

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

That the bill be now taken up and considered,  
It was determined in the negative.

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1813.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

That the bill authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and of the state of Georgia, and for other purposes, be now considered,

It was determined in the negative.

The Senate proceeded to consider the motion submitted on the 22d instant, by Mr. Leib; and,

On motion, by Mr. Bayard,

That the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow,  
It was determined in the negative.

On the question to agree to the resolution,

On motion, by Mr. Reed,

It was agreed that it be taken by yeas and nays; and,

On motion, by Mr. Bayard,

The Senate adjourned.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1813.

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

The Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and of the state of Georgia, and for other purposes; and

On motion, by Mr. Leib,

That the further consideration of the bill be postponed in order to consider his motion, to have printed certain documents referred to in the message of the President of the United States of the 14th instant; and

It was determined in the negative.

Mr. Gaillard was requested to take the chair; and the consideration of the bill was recurred to.

A motion was made, by Mr. Smith, of Maryland, to strike out the second section of the bill; and,

On his motion,

It was agreed to take the question by yeas and nays.

On motion, by Mr. Bradley,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the bill be postponed to, and made the order of the day for, to-morrow.

On motion,  
**Ordered,** That the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow.



Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and of the state of Georgia, and for other purposes; and Mr. Gaillard was requested to take the chair; and

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1813.**

**Ordered,** That the consideration thereof be further postponed until to-morrow.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the Senate resumed, as in committee of the whole, the consideration of the bill authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and of the state of Georgia, and for other purposes, together with the motion to strike out the second section thereof; and Mr. Gaillard was requested to take the chair:

"SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to occupy and hold all that part of West Florida east of the Perdido, and the whole or any part of East Florida, including Amelia Island."

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,  
Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Those who voted in the negative, are,

A motion was made, by Mr. Smith, of Maryland, to strike out the fifth section of the bill; and,

**The Senate adjourned.**

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

Whereupon,

A motion was made, by Mr. Campbell, of Ohio, to insert, in lieu of the second section stricken out, the following:

"And be it further enacted, That, if hostilities shall be committed by the Spanish nation, its colonies, or dependencies, against the United States, or if it shall be ascertained, to the satisfaction of the President of the United States, that the safety and security of the United States, or any part thereof, are in imminent danger from the Spanish authorities in East Florida, and in that part of West Florida lying east of the river Perdido, the President of the United States is hereby authorized to occupy the said provinces, or any part thereof, including Amelia Island."

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Those who voted in the negative, are,  
Messrs. Bradley, Dana, German, Giles, Goodrich, Horsey, Hunter, Lambert, Lloyd, Pope, and Reed.

So it was

*Resolved*, That the bill do pass; and,

On motion,

It was agreed that the title thereof be "An act authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and west of the river Perdido."

On motion, by Mr. Anderson,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed, to consist of two members, to carry the said bill to the House of Representatives and ask their concurrence therein.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Anderson and Bradley be the committee.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the motion submitted the 27th of January, to print certain documents; and, after debate,

On motion,

The Senate adjourned.

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1813.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Dana be of the committee appointed the 5th instant, to carry a confidential bill to the House of Representatives, in place of Mr. Bradley, absent.

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1813.

A confidential message was received from the House of Representatives, by Messrs. Troup and Robertson, two of their members; Mr. Troup, chairman:

*Mr. President*: The House of Representatives have passed the bill sent from the Senate, entitled "An act authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and west of the river Perdido." And they withdrew.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1813.

Mr. Campbell, of Ohio, from the committee, reported the bill, entitled "An act authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and west of the river Perdido," duly enrolled.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Messrs. Crawford and Goodwin, two of their members; Mr. Crawford, chairman:

*Mr. President*: The Speaker of the House of Representatives having signed an enrolled bill, we are directed to bring it to the Senate for the signature of their President. And they withdrew.

The President signed the enrolled bill last reported to have been examined, and it was delivered to the committee, to be laid before the President the United States.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1813.

Mr. Campbell, of Ohio, from the committee, reported that they yesterday laid before the President of the United States the enrolled bill, entitled "An act authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and west of the river Perdido."

A message from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary:

*Mr. President*: The President of the United States did, on the 12th instant, approve and sign "An act authorizing the President of the United States to take possession of a tract of country lying south of the Mississippi territory and west of the river Perdido."

*Ordered*, That the Secretary communicate this information to the House of Representatives.

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1813.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the motion submitted by Mr. Horsey on the 27th of January, to remove the injunction of secrecy from certain papers; and,

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the injunction of secrecy in relation to the paper marked A, communicated in the President's message of the 26th instant, be, and the same is hereby, removed.

It was determined in the negative,

	{ Yeas . . . . .	16,
	{ Nays . . . . .	16.

The yeas and nays having been required by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Messrs. Bayard, Bradley, Dana, Gaillard, German, Gilman, Goodrich, Gregg, Horsey, Hunter, Lambert, Leib, Lloyd, Pope, Reed, and Smith of Maryland.

Messrs. Bibb, Brent, Brown, Campbell, of Ohio, Crawford, Cutts, Franklin, Giles, Howell, Robinson, Smith, of New York, Tait, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, and Worthington.

The following written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Coles, his Secretary:

I transmit to the Senate a report of the Secretary of State, complying with their resolution of the 18th of January, 1813.

*February 18, 1813.*

The message and documents therein referred to were read.



*List of Acts passed during the First Session of the Thirteenth Congress.*

- An act concerning certain streets in Georgetown.
- An act for the government of persons in certain fisheries.
- An act for the relief of Alexander Phoenix and William Nexsen, junior.
- An act to amend the act in addition to the act, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes."
- An act for the relief of Thomas Sloo,
- An act authorizing the President of the United States to cause to be built barges for the defence of the ports and harbors of the United States.
- An act further extending the time for issuing and locating military land warrants.
- An act to reward the officers and crew of the sloop of war Hornet, and lieutenant Elliot, and his officers and companions.
- An act freeing from postage all letters and packets to and from the superintendent general of military supplies.
- An act to relinquish the claims of the United States to certain goods, wares, and merchandise, captured by private armed vessels.
- An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Alexandria,
- An act to incorporate a company for making a certain turnpike road in the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia.
- An act providing for the further defence of the ports and harbors of the United States.
- An act concerning suits and costs in courts of the United States.
- An act for the remission of certain duties to the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts.
- An act for the assessment and collection of direct taxes and internal duties.
- An act to regulate the allowance of forage to officers in the army of the United States.
- An act to establish the town of Mobile a port of entry.
- An act for the relief of Edwin T. Satterwhite.
- An act for the relief of Alexander Scott.
- An act laying duties on sugar refined within the United States.
- An act to establish the office of commissioner of the revenue.
- An act to continue in force for a limited time certain acts authorizing corps of rangers for the protection of the frontier of the United States, and making appropriations for the same.
- An act laying duties on carriages for the conveyance of persons.
- An act laying duties on licences to distillers of spirituous liquors.
- An act laying duties on sales at auction of foreign merchandise, and of ships and vessels.
- An act to authorize the raising a corps of sea fencibles.
- An act for the relief of Elisha J. Winter.
- An act making an appropriation for finishing the Senate Chamber, and repairing the roof of the north wing of the Capitol.
- An act to provide for the accommodation of the household of the President of the United States.
- An act fixing the time for the next meeting of Congress.
- An act for the relief of Thomas Denny.
- An act to authorize the transportation of certain documents free of postage.
- An act for the relief of the owners of the ships called the Good Friends, the Amazon, and the United States, and their cargoes; and also of Henry Bryce.
- An act laying a duty on imported salt, granting a bounty on pickled fish exported, and allowances to certain vessels employed in the fisheries.
- An act supplementary to the acts heretofore passed on the subject of an uniform rule of naturalization.
- An act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States.
- An act concerning invalid pensioners.
- An act laying duties on licences to retailers of wines, spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandise.



- An act to provide for the widows and orphans of militia slain, and for militia disabled, in the service of the United States.
- An act explanatory of an act, entitled "An act to raise ten additional companies of rangers."
- An act to prohibit the use of licences, or passes, granted by the authority of the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.
- An act for the relief of the officers and crew of the late United States' brig Vixen.
- An act authorizing the payment for wagons and teams captured or destroyed by the enemy at Detroit.
- An act for the relief of Joshua Dorsey.
- An act to authorize the appointment, by the President, of certain officers during the recess of the Senate.
- An act for the relief of Willet Warne.
- An act for the relief of George Lyon.
- An act authorizing the sale of sundry lots, the property of the United States, in the borough of Pittsburg.
- An act for reducing the duties payable on prize goods captured by the private armed vessels of the United States.
- An act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act for the better regulation of the ordnance."
- An act authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding seven millions five hundred thousand dollars.
- An act for the relief of David Henley.
- An act laying duties on notes of banks, bankers, and certain companies; on notes, bonds, and obligations, discounted by banks, bankers, and certain companies; and on bills of exchange of certain descriptions.
- An act making additional appropriations for the support of government during the year one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.
- An act allowing a bounty to the owners, officers, and crews, of the private armed vessels of the United States.
- An act to amend and explain the act regulating pensions to persons on board private armed ships.
- An act making further appropriations for the collection of internal duties, and for the appointment and compensation of assessors.
- An act giving further time for registering claims to lands in the late district of Arkansas, in the territory of Missouri, and for other purposes.
- An act for the relief of John James Dufour and his associates.



*Senators of the United States whose seats will be vacated:*

1815.	1817.	1819.
Mr. Anderson, Brent, Dana, German, Gore, Horsey, Hunter, Lambert, Leib, Robinson, Smith, Worthington.	Mr. Bibb, Brown, Bullock, Campbell, Condit, Giles, Gilman, Howell, Taylor, Turner, Varnum, Wells.	Mr. Bledsoe, Chace, Daggett, Fromentin, Gaillard, Goldsborough, King, Lacock, Mason, Morrow, Stone, Tait.